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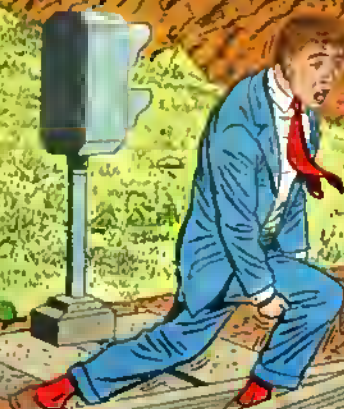
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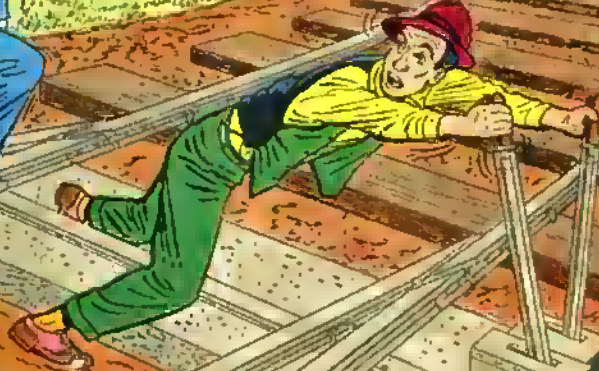
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I TOLD YA!  
I CAN'T REACH  
MY SHOE LACES!  
GET ME LOOSE—  
YA HEAR? GET  
ME LOOSE!!

I'M TRYIN',  
AIN'T I? BUT THE  
SWITCH WON'T  
OPEN! I GUESS IT'S  
GOODBYE, BUGGSY!  
NOW YOU WON'T  
HAVE TO WORRY  
ABOUT THE COPS  
CATCHIN' YA!  
NO MORE!



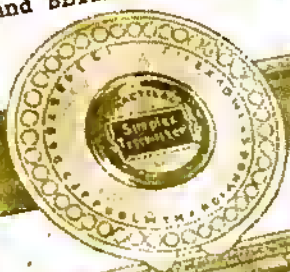
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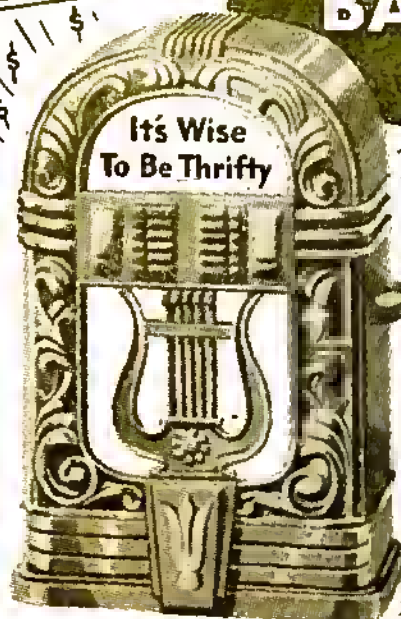
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# JOHN ROSS

## THE MAGICIAN-

HE COULD FOOL EVERYBODY BUT  
THE POLICE! AS ELUSIVE A  
CRIMINAL AS EVER DECORATED  
AN ELECTRIC CHAIR!



JOHN  
ROSS  
DIED IN  
ELECTRIC  
CHAIR  
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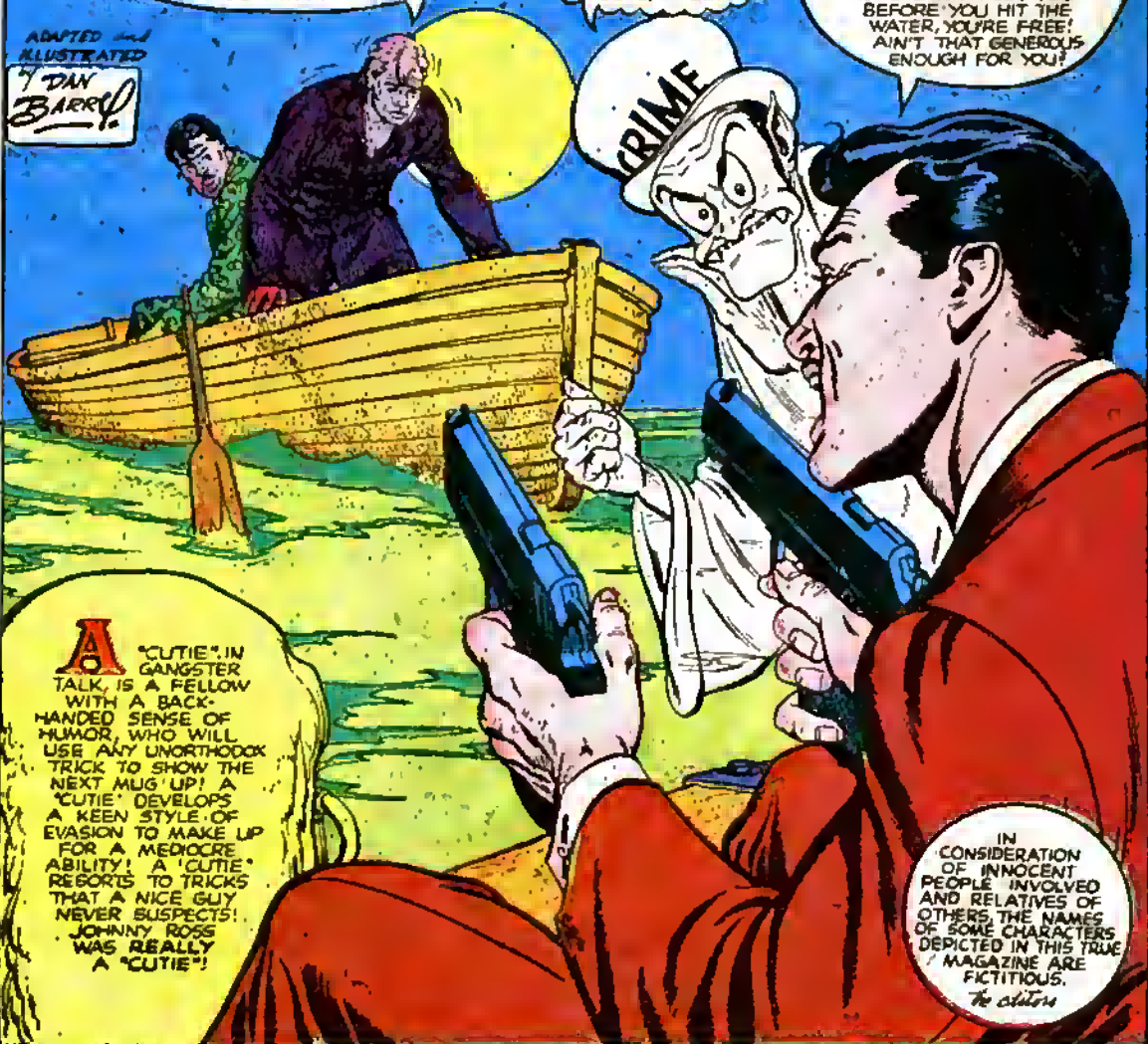
LOOK, JOHNNY—HAVE A HEART, WILL YA? WE KNOW YOU'RE A TRICKY GUY AND YOU LOVE A GAG—SWELL! SO DO WE, BUT THIS IS CARRYIN' THEATRICS TOO FAR! TO SHOW YOU WE KNOW WHAT A GOOD SHOT YOU ARE, WE'LL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING WE OWN—EVERYTHING—IF YOU CALL THE SHOW OFF! C'MON, GIVE US A BREAK, JOHNNY!

DON'T LET HIM CON YOU, JOHNNY! THESE PUNKS ARE ALL ALIKE! THEY'LL BEG WHEN THEY'RE DOWN, BUT STEP ON YOU WHEN THEY'VE HALF A CHANCE! GO ON, JOHNNY—SHOW 'EM JUST HOW CUTE YOU CAN BE!

STOP BAWLIN', TONY—YOU MIGHT DROWN IN YOUR OWN TEARS! OKAY, OKAY—NOW GET GOIN'—TELL YOUR PUNK BROTHER TO ROW TO THE MIDDLE OF THE LAKE! I'M GIVING YOU A SPORTING CHANCE! WHEN I YELL 'DIVE', YOU DIVE! AND IF I CAN'T PLUG YOU BEFORE YOU HIT THE WATER, YOU'RE FREE! AIN'T THAT GENEROUS ENOUGH FOR YOU?

ADAPTED AND  
ILLUSTRATED

BY  
DAN  
BARRY



**A** "CUTIE" IN GANGSTER TALK, IS A FELLOW WITH A BACK-HANDED SENSE OF HUMOR, WHO WILL USE ANY UNORTHODOX TRICK TO SHOW THE NEXT MUG UP! A "CUTIE" DEVELOPS A KEEN STYLE OF EVASION TO MAKE UP FOR A MEDIOCRE ABILITY! A "CUTIE" RESORTS TO TRICKS THAT A NICE GUY NEVER SUSPECTS! JOHNNY ROSS WAS REALLY A "CUTIE"!

IN CONSIDERATION OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED AND RELATIVES OF OTHERS, THE NAMES OF SOME CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE CRIME MAGAZINE ARE FICTITIOUS.  
*The editors*

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THEY SAY A MAGICIAN IS ALWAYS THE LIFE OF A PARTY—FULL OF TRICKS AND HAPPY SURPRISES! THEY ALWAYS ATTRACT FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS—LIGHT-HEARTED PEOPLE WHO LOVE A GOOD CHUCKLE! BUT I KNEW ONE MAGICIAN, JOHN ROSS BY NAME, WHOM MOST PEOPLE AVOIDED LIKE ARSENIC! FOR HIS HUMOR HAD A TWISTED GRIN AND HIS SLY TRICKS WERE A COVER FOR HIS VICIOUS PURPOSES!



I FIRST NOTICED THIS HELL-BENT MOUNDINI WORKING IN A CIRCUS SIDE-SHOW AS A SLEIGHT-OF-HAND WIZARD!

HOW DID HE DO THAT? HE MADE THAT GLASS OF WATER DISAPPEAR INTO THIN AIR!

HA, HA, HA! IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING, FOLKS—TO DEMONSTRATE THE ART OF LEGERDEMAIN FURTHER, I AM LOOKING FOR A PIGEON! HE DISAPPEARED A FEW MINUTES AGO! HE'S AN ELUSIVE LITTLE DEVIL!

AHA—YOU SEE? NOW THE MISSING PIGEON SEEMS TO BE HIDING IN THE MAN'S COAT!

HA, HA, HA, HA, HA!

WELL, I'LL BE... ???

HE IS GOOD!

HA, HA, HA! HEY, JONATHAN—HOW DO YOU SUPPOSE HE DID THAT PIGEON STUNT? DIDN'T YOU FEEL THE PIGEON IN YOUR COAT?

I'LL BE DARNED IF I CAN FIGURE IT OUT! I WAS JUST STANDING THERE WATCHIN' HIM, WHEN HE REACHES INTO MY COAT—AND ZIPPO!

HEY, WAIT—MY WALLET'S GONE! WHY THAT FOUR-FLUSHIN' PHONY IS A CROOK! HE LIFTED MY WALLET!

WHAT? C'MON, LET'S GET A COP AND GO BACK!

HEH, HEH, HEH—NOT A BAD HAUL TODAY—A WALLET WITH 23 BUCKS IN IT, A GOLD WATCH AND CHAIN—A PEARL NECKLACE AND SOME ODDS AND ENDS! WHAT A SWEET SET-UP FOR A MAN OF MY "TALENTS"!

VERY CUTE, JOHNNY BOY—A NEW TWIST ON ME! HERE'S ONE PUPIL WHO WILL BE TEACHING ME SOME NEW TRICKS!

OH, OH, I SPOKE TOO SOON! HERE COMES TROUBLE WITH A CAPITAL "C"!

OKAY, ROSS—PUT YOUR HANDS UP AND KEEP THEM THERE! WE WANT TO BROWSE AROUND YOUR TENT A LITTLE BIT!

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS? YOU HAVE NO RIGHT BUSTIN' IN HERE!

WHATEVER HE'S STOLEN HE'S CERTAINLY TAKEN PAINS TO KEEP HIDDEN! BEING A MAGICIAN MUST COME IN HANDY FOR HIM!

THIS IS AN OUTRAGEOUS INSULT! I'LL SEE TO IT THAT BOTH YOU MEN LOSE YOUR BADGES FOR THIS!

SAVE YOUR BREATH, MISTER! HERE'S A PILE OF THE STUFF—WALLETS, JEWELRY—WOW! LOOK AT THIS—IT WAS HIDDEN IN THE FALSE BOTTOM OF THIS TRUNK! ROSS, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF TIME TO PRACTICE YOUR SLEIGHT-OF-HAND ON THE PIGEON IN THE BIG HOUSE!

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HMPH! NOT MUCH OF A START FOR A NEW PUPIL OF MINE—FOUR YEARS IN THE PEN, BUT TO JOHNNY ROSS, IT WAS JUST A STEP IN HIS CLIMB UP THE CROOKED LADDER OF CRIME!

ROSS, YOUR RECORD SHOWS THAT YOU WERE A PROFESSIONAL MAGICIAN! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP US PUT ON A SHOW FOR THE MEN THIS WEEKEND?

I'D LIKE IT, WARDEN! IN MY PROFESSION, YOU GOTTA STAY IN PRACTICE OR YOU LOSE YOUR TOUCH!

HEH, HEH, JOHNNY—THE WAY YOU WOWED THOSE CONS WAS A SIGHT TO BEHOLD!

HA, HA, HA! THIS GUY IS GREAT! I WOULD LOVE TO PLAY POWER WITH HIM—NOT AFTER SEEN HIM HANDLE THEM CARDS!

ALL RIGHT, GENTLEMEN—AND NOW I WILL EXHIBIT MY PROWESS WITH FIREARMS! IN THE THEATER, THIS STUNT WAS DONE WITH A .22 CALIBER PISTOL, BUT THE WARDEN INSISTED I USE AN AIR PISTOL THIS TIME! I WONDER WHY, HMMH!

HA, HA, HA! YEAN—I WONDER!



THIS BRIGHT YOUNG MAN HAS VOLUNTEERED TO HOLD AN EGG BETWEEN HIS FINGERS WHILE I SHOOT IT OUT OF HIS FINGERS FROM ACROSS THE STAGE! PLEASE NOTICE THE EFFECT!...



...WHEN I HIT IT!

Ptoo!

HAW, HAW, HAW! LOOK AT MUGGSY'S MUG!



HA, HA, HA! HE'S A PANIC!

HMM... THAT GUY MAY BE FUNNY, BUT HE'S ALSO THE STEADIEST SHOT I'VE SEEN IN A LONG, LONG TIME! YESSIR, ROSS, ARE GONNA BECOME GREAT FRIENDS!



THANKS FOR THE SMOKE, ERR. GIMPY NOLAN'S FRIENDS CALL ME! GIMPY NOLAN—SURE—OF THE FITZ GERALD GANG BACK EAST! GLAD TO KNOW YOU, GIMPY!



I'VE NEVER USED IT FOR ANYTHING, BUT STUNT SHOWS! IF YOU KNOW A WAY TO MAKE IT PAY BETTER PRICES, I'LL BE INTERESTED AFTER THIS FOUR-YEAR STRETCH!

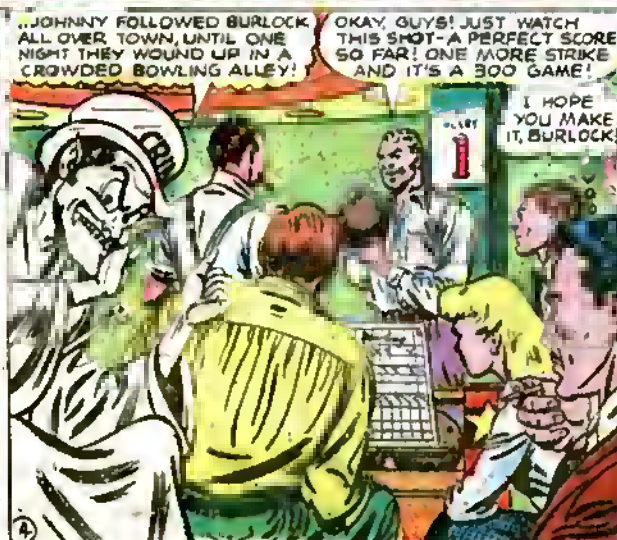
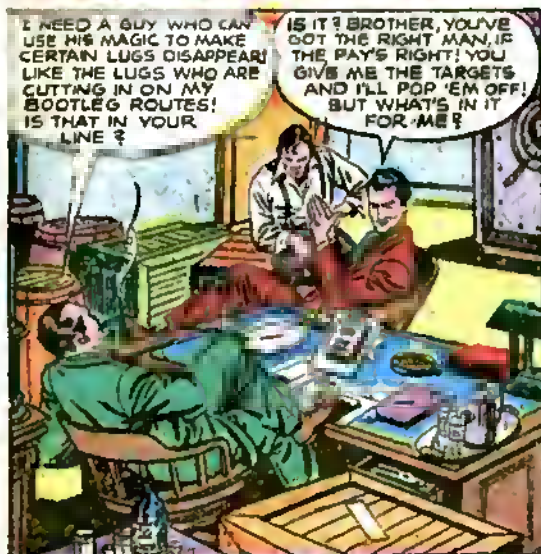
I'LL BE GETTING OUT IN A FEW MONTHS, BUT KEEP IN TOUCH! I THINK FITZ WOULD LIKE TO MEET YOU WHEN YOU'RE FREE!



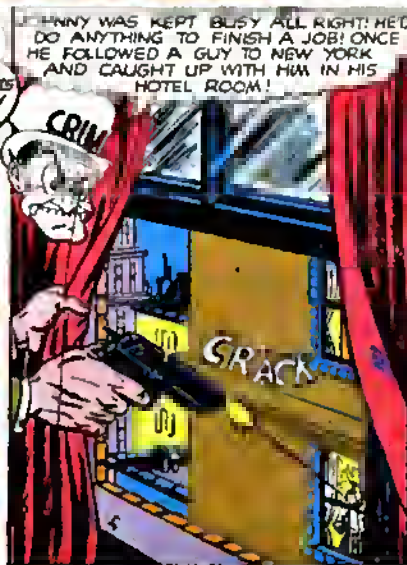
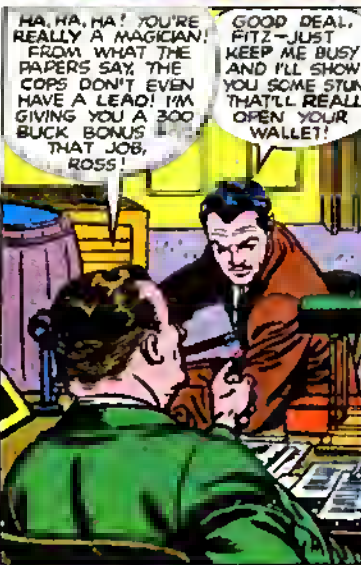
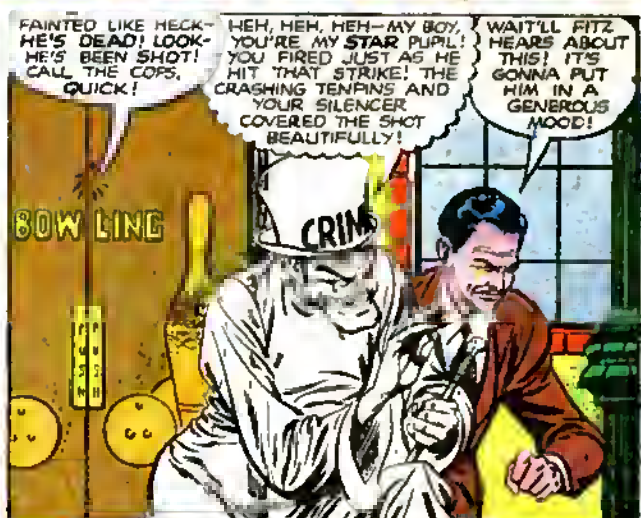
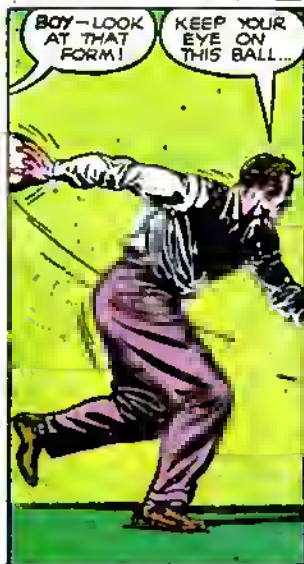
FOUR YEARS IS A LONG TIME, BUT I PICKED UP PLENTY OF NEW TRICKS IN STIR—AND I'M ACHING TO KICK UP SOME DUST AGAIN! I'LL DROP IN ON GIMPY, FIRST!



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WITHIN A SHORT WHILE, JOHNNY'S REPUTATION HAD SPREAD BEYOND THE AWE-STRIKEN EARS OF THE UNDERWORLD!

LOOK AT THIS WRECKAGE! THIS GUY MUST'VE BEEN GOING SIXTY OR BETTER WHEN HE WAS PLUGGED! WHO EVER BLASTED HIM WAS NOTHING LESS THAN A SHARP SHOOTER! RIGHT EYES!

ONLY A PROFESSIONAL SHOT COULD DO THAT—WHICH MAKES IT LOOK LIKE THE WORK OF JOHN ROSS! WE'LL HAVE TO GET MORE EVIDENCE ON HIM! HE'S BEEN REPORTING TO THE PAROLE BOARD!



JOHNNY—I'VE REALLY GOT TO HAND IT TO YOU! YOU'RE THE BEST TORPEDO IN THE BUSINESS! WITH YOU AROUND, MY COMPETITIONS BEEN GETTIN' THINNER, AND MY BUSINESS BIGGER! WE'RE GOIN' OKAY!

LOOKS LIKE I'M REALLY SATISFYING YOU EM, BOSS! SO HOW ABOUT A CELEBRATION WHEN GIMPY GETS BACK FROM HIS ROUTE?

SURE THING!



HE ISN'T CUE IN FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS THO... MEY, GIMPY—WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

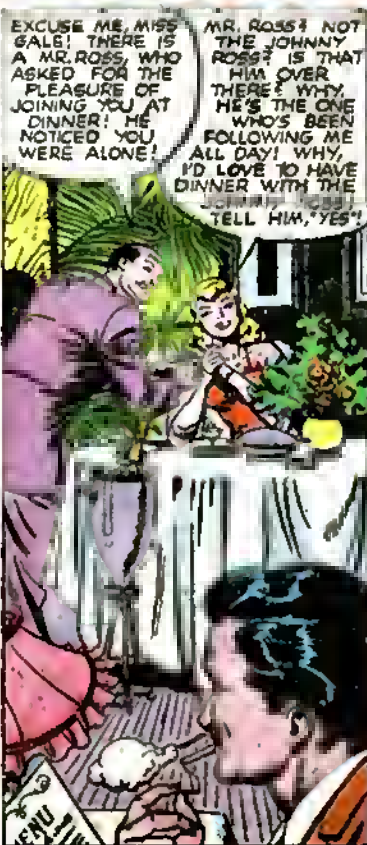
THE DIRTY SKUNKS! THE CRAIG BROTHERS! MOB—THEY AMBUSHED ME ON MY RUN TO THE MOUNTAINS! THEY GOT THE TRUCKLOAD OF IT, AND WARNED YOU TO STAY OUT OF NEW YORK STATE! I IMAGINE THEM WARNIN' YOU!



WHY THOSE TWO-BIT MORONS! THEY'LL PAY FOR THIS AND GOOD! GIMPY—TAKE A TRUCKLOAD OF MEN DOWN ON THAT RUN AGAIN! IF THE CRAIG GANG STOPS YOU, WIPE 'EM OUT!

OKAY, BOSS, I KNOW WHERE THEY HANG OUT! DOWNTOWN! I'LL GET 'EM ALL RIGHT—AND THEY'LL HATE THE DAY THEY TANGLED WITH ME!

AND YOU, JOHNNY—I WANT YOU TO TAKE CARE OF THE CRAIG BOYS PERSONALLY! MAKE THIS A SPECIAL JOB!



EXCUSE ME, MISS SALE! THERE IS A MR. ROSS WHO ASKED FOR THE PLEASURE OF JOINING YOU AT DINNER! HE NOTICED YOU WERE ALONE!

MR. ROSS? NOT THE JOHNNY ROSS? IS THAT HIM OVER THERE? WHY HE'S THE ONE WHO'S BEEN FOLLOWING ME ALL DAY! WHY, I'D LOVE TO HAVE DINNER WITH THE GUY! TELL HIM, 'YES'!

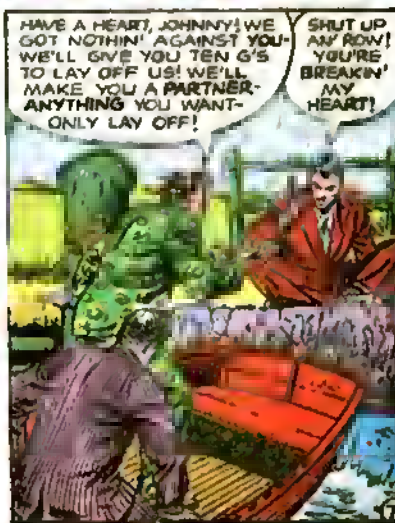
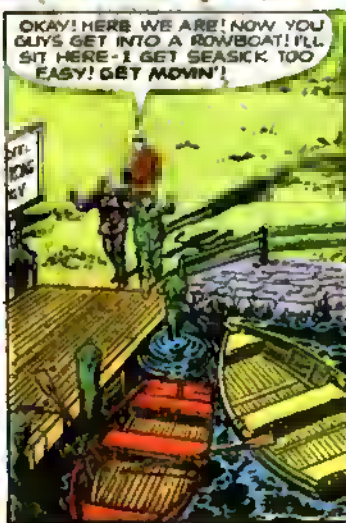
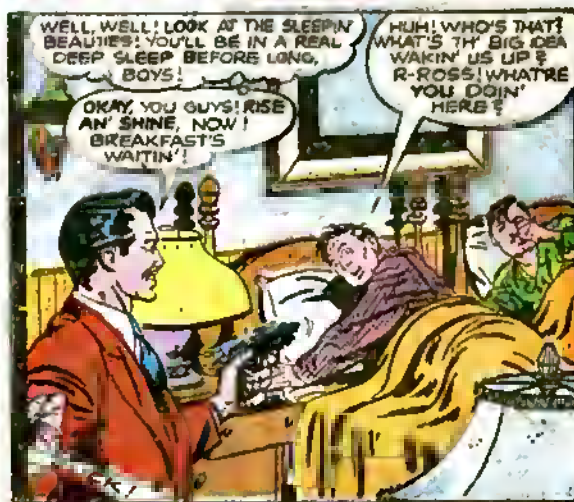


I'M REALLY FLATTERED! I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D GIVE ME A TUMBLE AFTER RUNNING AROUND WITH A BIG-TIMER LIKE TONY CRAIG!

WHOOPS—WATCH OUT! THERE'S A COBBER IN THAT CUP OF COFFEE THERE!

HA, HA, HA! OH, JOHNNY—WHY'RE A RIOT! WHY DIDN'T I GET TO KNOW YOU SOONER? IT'S BEEN DULL AROUND HERE SINCE TONY WENT DOWN TO THE BERKSHIRES!

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OKAY-YOU GUYS!  
YOU'VE ROWED FAR  
ENOUGH! JUST TO  
SHOW YOU I'M A  
SPORTSMAN, I'M  
GOING TO GIVE YOU  
A CHANCE TO DIVE!  
IF I DON'T HIT YOU  
BEFORE YOU HIT  
THE WATER, I'LL  
LET YOU GO!

I SAID  
DIVE! NOW  
DIVE!

LOOK, JOHNNY!  
WE'LL GIVE YOU  
EVERYTHING  
WE OWN-OUR  
BUSINESS-OUR  
MONEY! WE'LL  
LEAVE THE  
STATE-ANY-  
THING YOU  
WANT! JUST  
GIVE US A  
CHANCE!



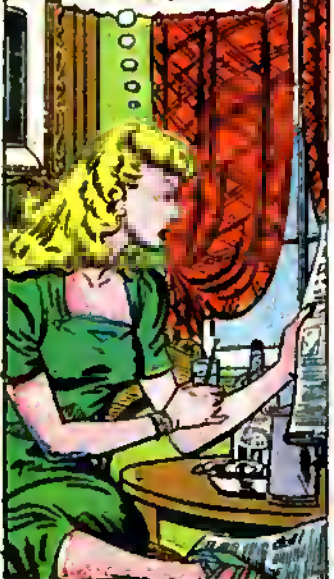
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I WONDER  
WHAT MARY  
GALE'LL DO  
WHEN SHE  
HEARS ABOUT  
THIS!

A SPORTSMAN!  
THAT'S MY BOY,  
JOHNNY FOR  
YOU!

TONY IS DEAD! THE COPS FISHED  
HIM OUT OF A LAKE, ALONG WITH  
HIS BROTHER, WHEN THEY SAW  
AN EMPTY BOAT DRIFTING, AND  
BLOOD STREAKS IN THE WATER!  
POOR TONY- WHO COULD  
HAVE PULLED THAT JOB? NO  
ONE KNEW HIS HIDEOUT...  
EXCEPT ME AND... OH, NO!  
JOHNNY ROSS! I SHOWED  
HIM THE LETTER TONY SENT  
ME. I WAS!

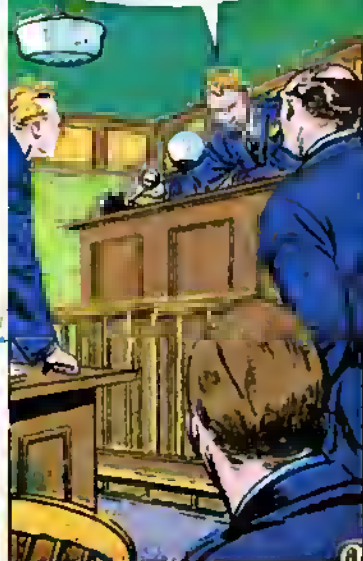


THAT'S WHY HE WAS SO ANXIOUS TO  
MEET ME! HE WAS CONNING ME ALL  
ALONG! THAT WAS IT! BUT WHAT NOW?  
HE'LL KNOW I'M WISE TO HIM! HE'LL  
BE HERE IN A FEW HOURS AND HE  
MIGHT WANT TO KILL ME TO GET  
ME OUT OF THE WAY! I NEED  
PROTECTION!

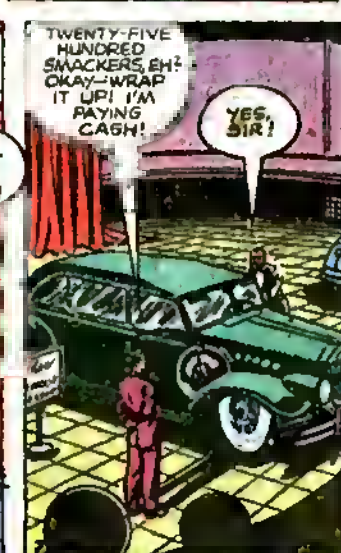
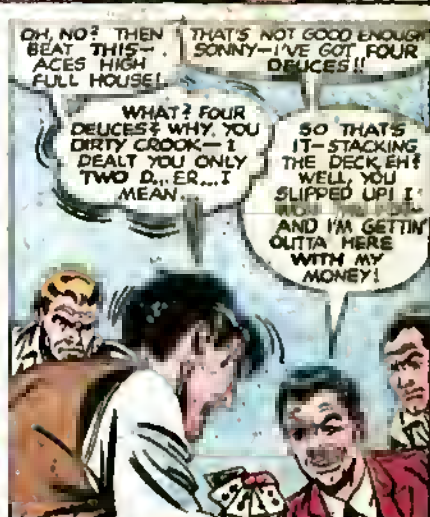
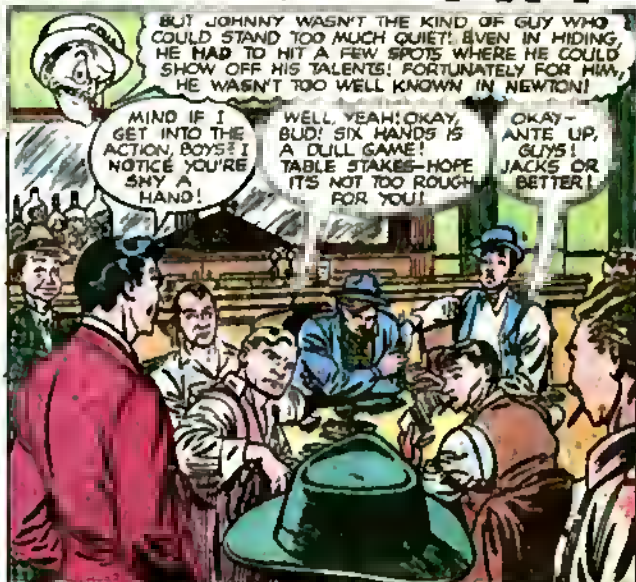
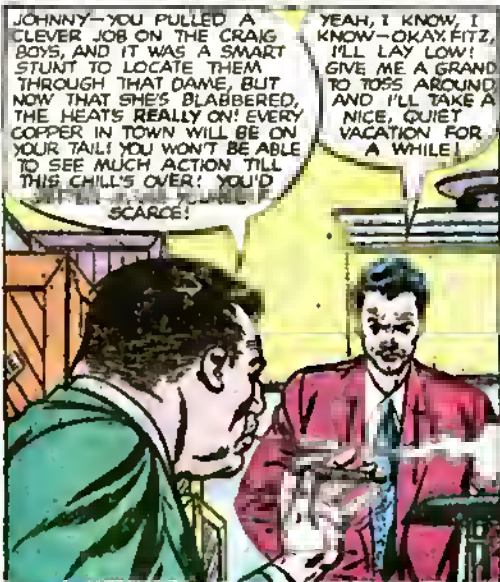


HELLO-GET  
ME POLICE  
HEADQUARTERS-  
QUICKLY!

KILOWSKI! REGAN! GET OVE - TO  
208 WEST PARK STREET! A GIRL  
NAMED MARY GALE JUST TIPPED  
US OFF ON THE CRAIG BOYS!  
KILLING! SHE WANTS SOME  
PROTECTION! JOHNSON, CALL  
THE STATE POLICE! TELL  
'EM WE GOT A LEAD ON JOHNNY  
ROSS AS THE KILLER! SEE IF  
THEY CAN'T PICK UP ENOUGH  
CLUES TO PIN IT ON HIM! THIS  
IS THE END OF THAT PHONY  
HOUDINI!



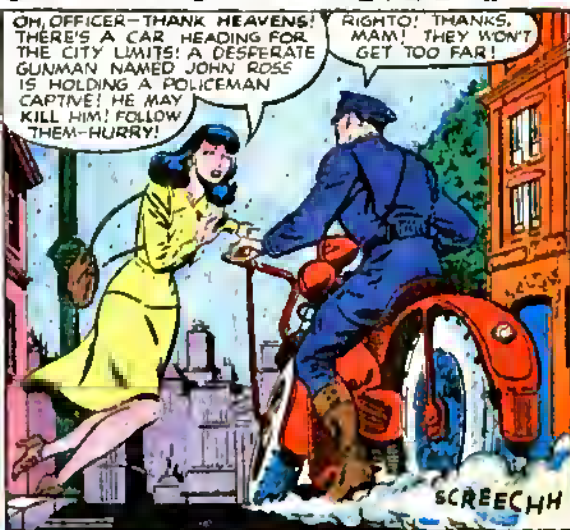
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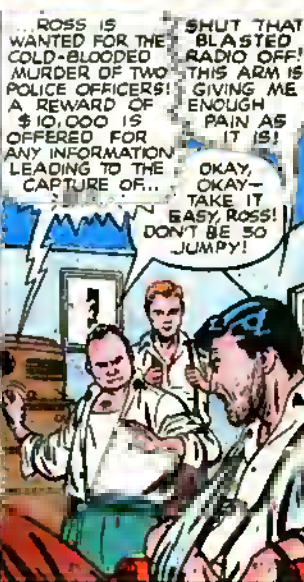
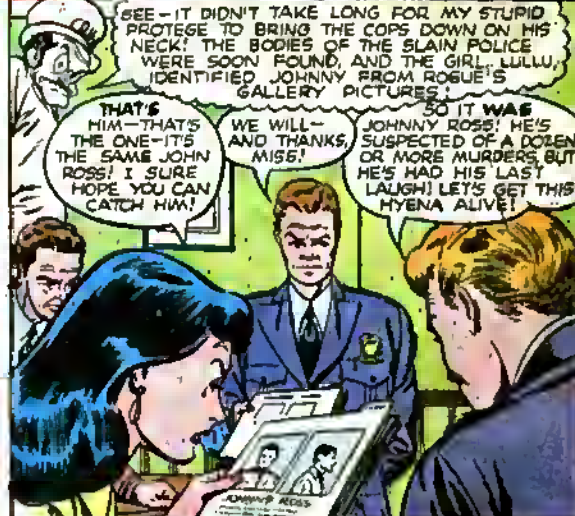
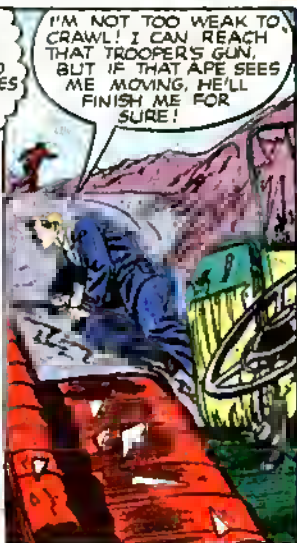
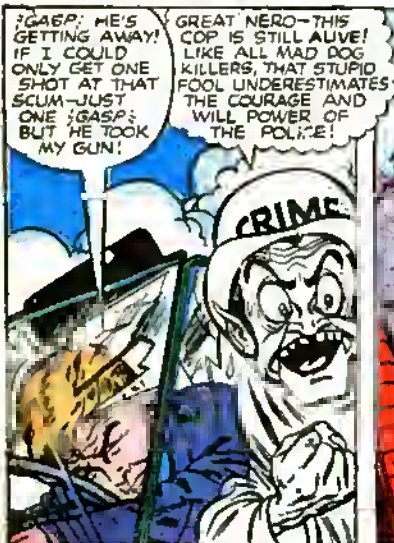
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LOOK.. STOP WAVING THAT ROD.. I KNOW YOU CAN DO TRICKS WITH IT! BUT IT'S GOIN' TO TAKE MORE THAN MAGIC TO TAKE THAT SLUG OUT OF YOUR ARM! YOU NEED A DOCTOR AND I KNOW THE RIGHT ONE! LET ME CALL HIM!



OKAY, BUT DON'T TRY ANY CUTE STUFF! MAKE SURE YOU CALL A SAW-BONES AND NOT THE COPPER, OR THIS BLACK BEAUTY MIGHT START BARKIN'!

THE SUCKER! HE DOESN'T KNOW ANY LOCAL NUMBER! THE DOC I CALL WILL CURE HIM FOR GOOD!

HELLO, OPERATOR.. SPRUCE 600, PLEASE.. YES.. HURRY!



HELLO, DOCTOR? THIS IS NICK PETRONI, 610 MAPLE ROAD... LOKK, DOC, I'VE GOT A GUY HERE WITH A SLUG IN HIS RIGHT ARM! HE GOT CLIPPED BY A COPPER AND HE'S HOT! HE CAN'T GET OUT! CAN YOU COME OVER RIGHT AWAY?

WHAT! DOCTOR? SAY, WHAT IS THIS A GAG? THIS IS POLICE HEADQUARTERS!

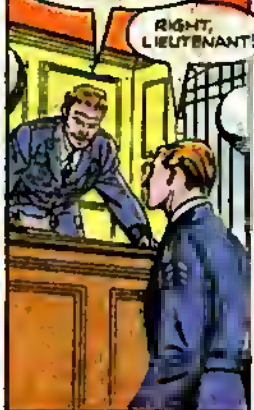


I CAN'T TALK TOO MUCH, DOC! HA! THE GUYS AFRAID I MIGHT TIP THE COPS! HA, HA! RICH, AIN'T IT? Y'GOT THE ADDRESS? YEAH-NICK PETRONI... 610 MAPLE ROAD! AND HURRY, WILL YA!

YEAH, YEAH! I GOT IT- WE'LL BE RIGHT OVER!



EITHER I'M CRAZY, OR THAT'S THE TIP WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! SERGEANT, GET ME TWO PLAINCLOTHESMEN FROM HOMICIDE-RIGHT AWAY!



RIGHT, LIEUTENANT!

WHAT'S TAKIN' THAT DOC SO LONG? GET HERE? THIS ARM'S KILLIN' ME!



HE SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE! WAIT-THERE HE IS NOW!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

WELL-HELLO, DOC! I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK YOU'D GOTTEN MY MESSAGE BAWLED UP OR SOMETHING!



NO-I GOT IT STRAIGHT! I BROUGHT MY ASSISTANTS ALONG TO HELP ME!

YOU'D BETTER TAKE THAT ARM OUT OF THE SLING!

OKAY, OKAY! MAKE IT SHORT AND SWEET, WILL YA?

IT WILL BE, ROSS! THE ELECTRIC CHAIR ALWAYS IS! YOU CAN THANK PETRONI FOR TIPPING US OFF! WE CAN ALWAYS DEPEND ON YOU RATS TO BITE FOR A CHEESY REWARD! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!



HEY, YOU'RE COPPERS! WHY YA DIRTY... YOU CAN'T PULL A TRICK LIKE THIS ON ME!



YOU KILL, CRAZY GOON! THEY DID, AND YOU'RE FRYING TONIGHT! JUST TO PROVE IT! WELL, MR. MAGICIAN, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET OUT OF THIS ONE? YOU'RE THE CLEVER TRICKSTER WITH A MILLION GIMMICKS AND EVEN YOU FELL FOR THE OLDEST TRICK OF ALL- THE OLD-FASHIONED DOUBLE-CROSS!



IT LOOKS LIKE EVEN A "CLEVER" MAGICIAN CAN'T ESCAPE THE ONE LESSON ALL MY PUPILS MUST LEARN SOME DAY! BUT I DON'T TELL THEM! I LET THE SUCKERS FIND OUT FOR THEMSELVES THAT CRIME SURE DOESN'T PAY!



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# "TIGER" HARKNESS

**HE ENGINEERED ONE OF THE STRANGEST PRISON BREAKS OF ALL TIME!**



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**R**UDOLPH "TIGER" HARKNESS WAS A RUTHLESS, POWER-CRAZED MOBSTER WHO TRIED TO BECOME ANOTHER DILLINGER! HE BEGAN AS A "TORPEDO" FOR SOME OF THE DEADLIEST MOBS OF THE UNDERWORLD! THEN, IN THE EARLY THIRTIES, HE ORGANIZED A GANG OF HIS OWN! HE PROMPTLY EMBARKED ON A WILD RAMPAGE OF BANK ROBBERIES AND KILLINGS THAT LANDED HIM A LIFE SENTENCE IN PRISON! HIS BAD TEMPER AND UTTER CONTEMPT FOR HUMAN LIFE MADE HIM NEARLY AS DANGEROUS INSIDE PRISON WALLS AS OUT! HE DIED AS HE LIVED...VIOLENTLY, AFTER ENGINEERING ONE OF THE STRANGEST PRISON BREAKS OF ALL TIME!



CASE DISMISSED FOR LACK OF SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE! JUST THE SAME, WATCH YOUR STEP, HARKNESS! TRY TO FIND YOURSELF A JOB! KEEP OUT OF TROUBLE- YOU MAY NOT BE SO LUCKY NEXT TIME!

YES, SIR! I WILL YOUR HONOR!



OH, RUDY, I'M SO GLAD THEY DIDN'T SEND YOU TO JAIL! NOW, YOU CAN MAKE A FRESH START, LIKE YOU PROMISED YOU WOULD, IF THEY LET YOU GO!

NOW WAIT A MINUTE, MOLLY! DON'T TELL ME YOU FELL FOR THAT LINE TOO! THAT WAS MEANT FOR THE JUDGE! THE JOB I'M HEADIN' FOR WILL MAKE THEM ALL SIT UP AND TAKE NOTICE!

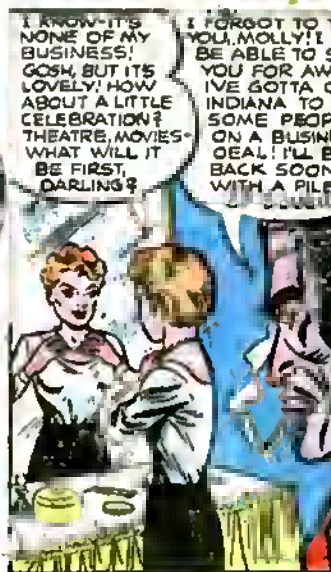
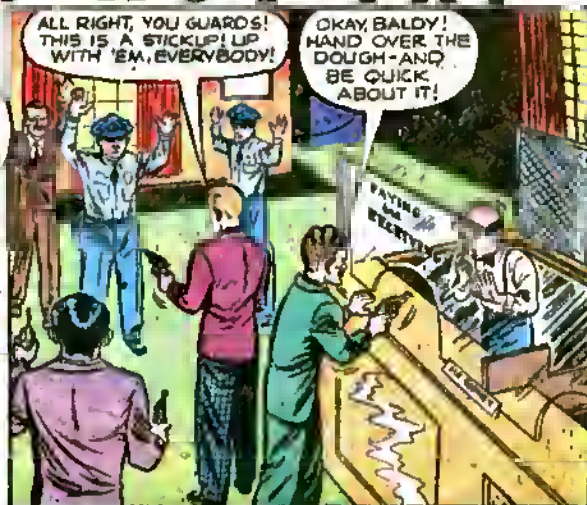
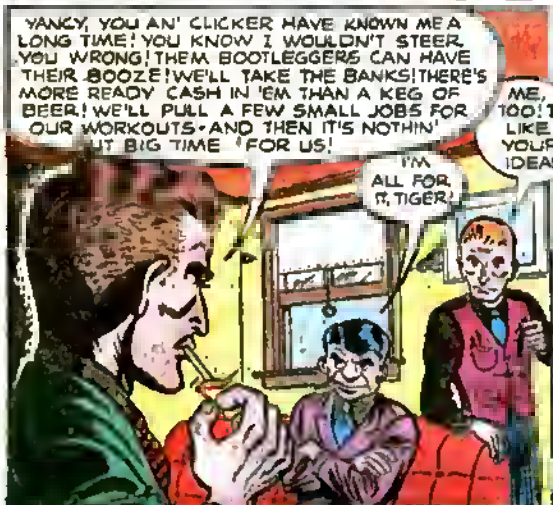
ANOTHER DILLINGER- ONLY THEY WON'T GET ME!



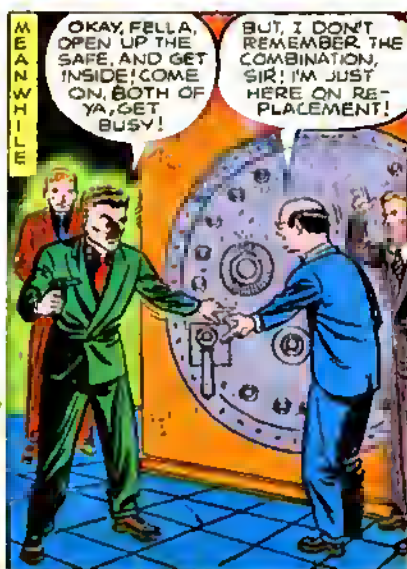
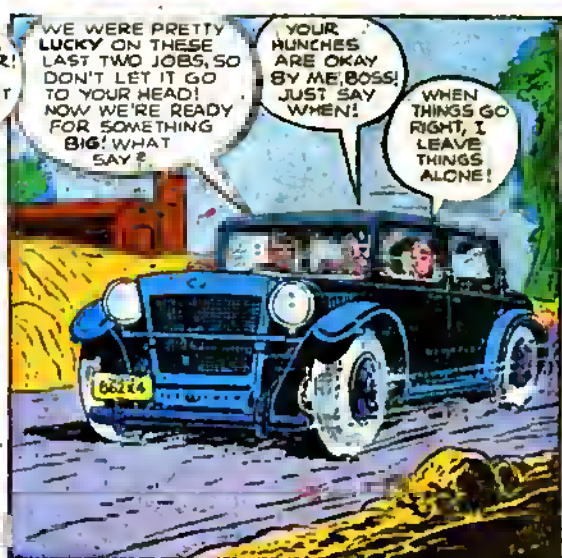
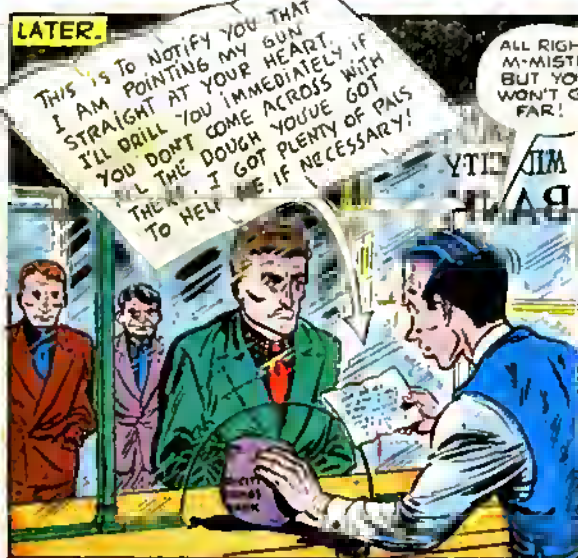
OH, RUDY, CAN'T YOU SEE YOU'RE FOOLING NO ONE BUT YOURSELF? HOW CAN YOU THROW AWAY YOUR LAST CHANCE TO GO STRAIGHT? DON'T DO IT!

IT'S EASY, BABY! THIS TIME I'M GETTIN' ME A GANG! I'M THROUGH WORKIN' FOR SOMEONE ELSE! I'M GONNA BE A BIG SHOT! THEY'RE GONNA CALL ME BOSS!

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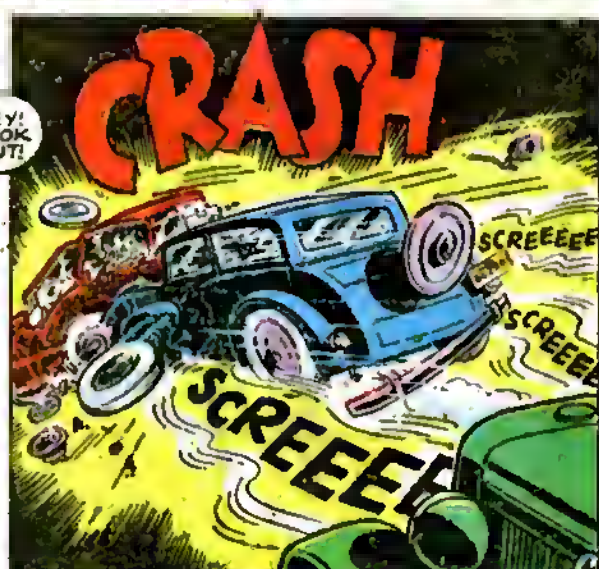
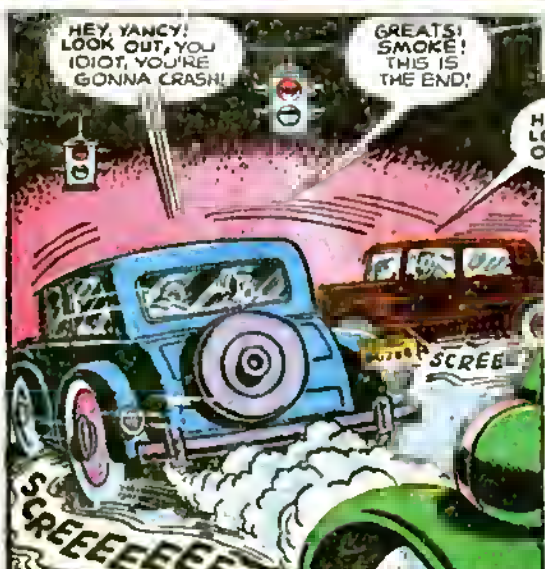
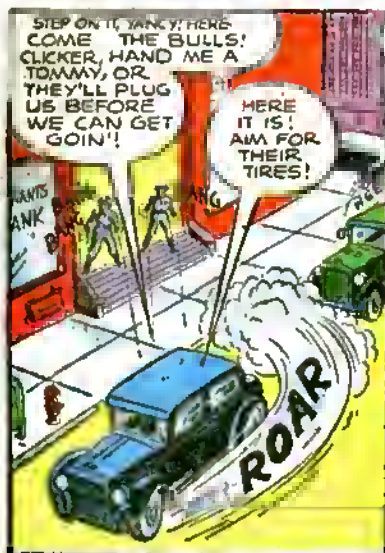
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IF WE KEEP MOVING INTO BIGGER HEISTS, WE'RE GONNA BE TAKING BIGGER CHANCES, TOO!



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ALL RIGHT, HARKNESS, THIS IS IT! BETTER COME ALONG QUIETLY—AND DON'T TRY ANY TRICKS! WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED FROM ALL SIDES!

DICKS! OF ALL THE ROTTEN LUCK! HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS HERE? I'VE BEEN COMING HERE FOR NEARLY A MONTH! WHO TIPPED YOU OFF? OKAY, LET'S GO! SORRY, HONEY, BUT THAT'S DONE!

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YOU'VE HAD YOUR CHANCE, HARKNESS! I HAVE NO PITY FOR WILD BEASTS LIKE YOU! THIS TIME I'M GIVING YOU A LIFE SENTENCE! GUARD, TAKE THE PRISONER AWAY!

BUT WAIT, JUDGE! THIS IS UNFAIR! I'M INNOCENT!

HARKNESS, WE TRY TO PLAY FAIR AND SQUARE WITH EACH PRISONER HERE IN SAN QUINN! YOU'LL BE OKAY IF YOU COOPERATE! IF YOU DON'T, WE CAN GET TOUGH, JOU.

SAVE THAT FOR THE OTHERS, WARDEN! NO-BODY CAN KEEP TIGER HARKNESS COOPED UP WHEN I DECIDE TO GO! I GO!

IT'S THE NEW PRISONER IN 150! HE BROKE LOOSE AGAIN! I KNEW HE'D GIVE US PLENTY OF TROUBLE! HE'S BEEN PLANNING A BREAK SINCE HE ARRIVED!

BE CAREFUL... HE'S A KILLER! THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT HE'S GOT ON HIM!

RAAANGG

LOOK, CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT HE SAWED HIS CELL BARS CLEAR OFF! SO THAT'S HOW HE ESCAPED!

HE WON'T GET VERY FAR WITH THAT ALERT ON! HE WAS IN HIS CELL JUST A LITTLE WHILE AGO... WHEN I CHECKED ON HIM!

LOOK! THERE HE GOES! HE'S TRYING TO SCALE THE WALL!

COME ON DOWN, HARKNESS, OR I'LL HAVE TO SHOOT YOU! YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN TO TRY TO ESCAPE FROM HERE!

OKAY, HOLD YOUR FIRE, RAT! I'M COMING DOWN!

ONE WEEK LATER!

I GUESS THAT WEEK IN SOLITAR TAUGHT YOU A LESSON! YOU WON'T PULL ANY MORE OF YOUR TRICKS! WE'RE GOING TO KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON YOU!

I AIN'T LEARNED NOTHING! YOU WON'T STOP ME THE NEXT TIME! THERE'S NOTHING THAT CAN KEEP ME HERE—NOTHIN'!

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TODAY IS THE DAY! I GOT ME TWO .45 AUTOMATICS, CLIPS LOADED WITH BULLETS, A MASTER KEY TO ALL THE CELLS ON THIS TIER, AND A PLAN TO KIDNAP THE ENTIRE PAROLE BOARD! THIS SHOULD GET US OUT! I'M GONNA MAKE DILLINGER HIMSELF LOOK LIKE A PIKER!

WE'RE READY ANY TIME YOU SAY, TIGER!

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

DOES YOUR COOK ALWAYS PAUSE SO LONG BETWEEN THE SACAD AND THE WEDDERS? WARDEN?



ER, NO! TO BE FRANK, GENTLEMEN, I WAS WONDERING MYSELF! TRUSTEE, GO SEE WHAT'S HOLDING THE LOOK UP! TELL HIM, HE'LL NEVER GET PAROLED IF HE KEEPS THE WHOLE PAROLE BOARD WAITING FOR THEIR LUNC.

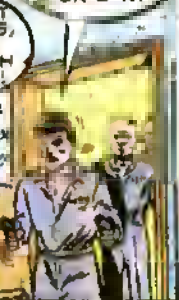
MINUTES LATER!

GET BACK WHERE YA BELONG, YOU DOGS! AND NO ONE MOVE OR I'LL KILL YOU ALL! WE'RE CLEARIN' OUT AND YOU GENTS ARE COMIN' WITH US!

YES, SIR!

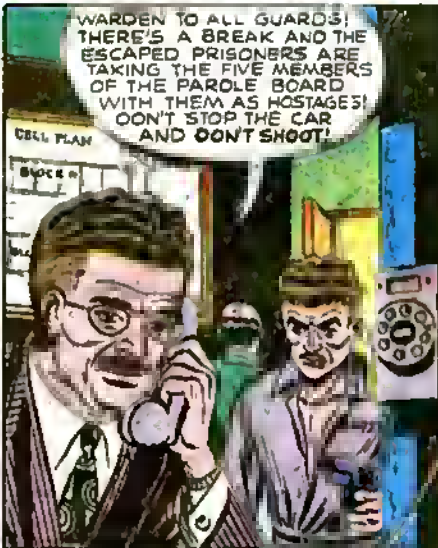


WARDEN, TELL YOUR MEN NOT TO FIRE ON US, IF YOU DON'T WANT THE PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS KILLED! REMEMBER, WE'LL BE DRIVING UR CAR!



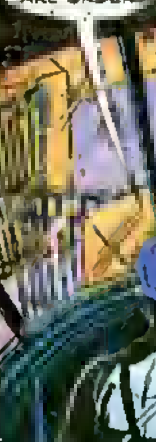
YOU CAN'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, HARKNESS! THE LAW WILL CATCH UP WITH YOU!

ALL RIGHT, WARDEN! CALL THE GUARDS AND TELL THEM WE'LL KILL EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM, IF THEY TRY TO INTERFERE WITH US!



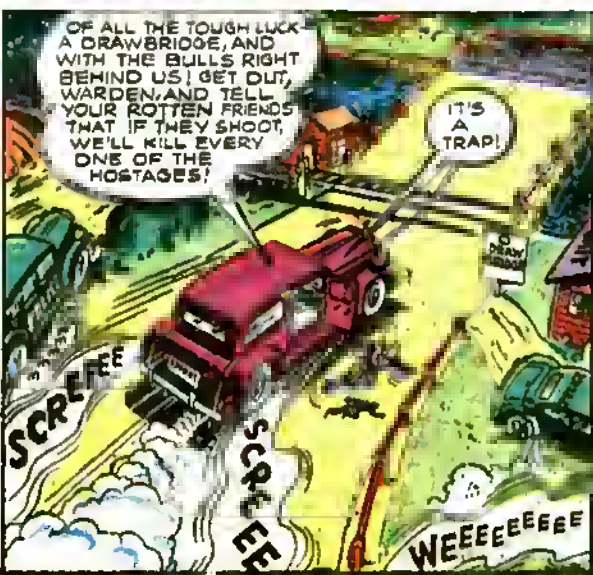
WARDEN TO ALL GUARDS! THERE'S A BREAK AND THE ESCAPED PRISONERS ARE TAKING THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE PAROLE BOARD WITH THEM AS HOSTAGES! DON'T STOP THE CAR AND DON'T SHOOT!

OPEN THE GATES! YOU HEARD WHAT THE WARDEN SAID! ORDERS ARE ORDERS!



JUST THE SAME, I HATE TO DO IT! I COULD BLAST THEM TO KINGDOM COME! IF IT WASN'T FOR THE HOSTAGES! HERE THEY COME NOW!

CALLING ALL POLICE SQUADS IN DALE COUNTY! DANGEROUS CONVICTS ESCAPED FROM SAN QUINN PRISON! ENTIRE PAROLE BOARD KIDNAPPED AS HOSTAGES! THEIR BLUE SEDAN IS HEADED NORTH!



OF ALL THE TOUGH LUCK A DRAWBRIDGE, AND WITH THE BULLS RIGHT BEHIND US! GET OUT, WARDEN, AND TELL YOUR ROTTEN FRIENDS THAT IF THEY SHOOT, WE'LL KILL EVERY ONE OF THE HOSTAGES!

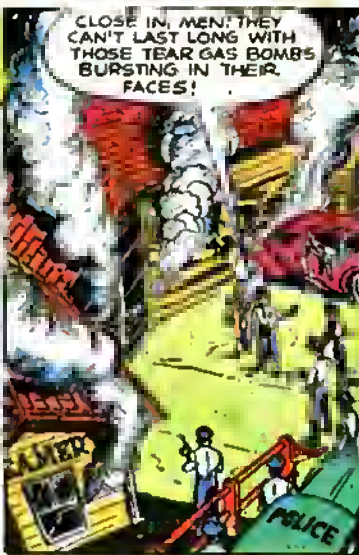
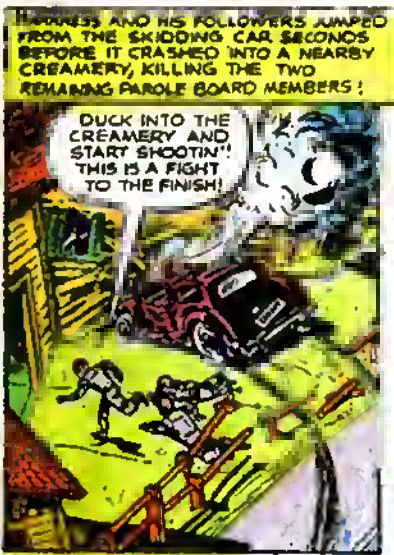
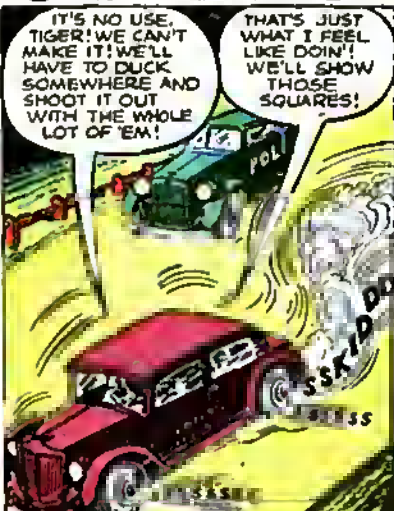
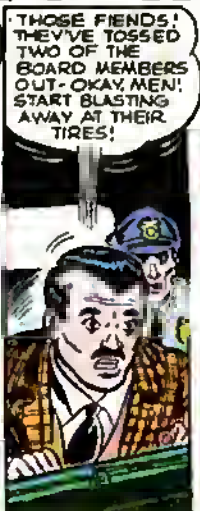
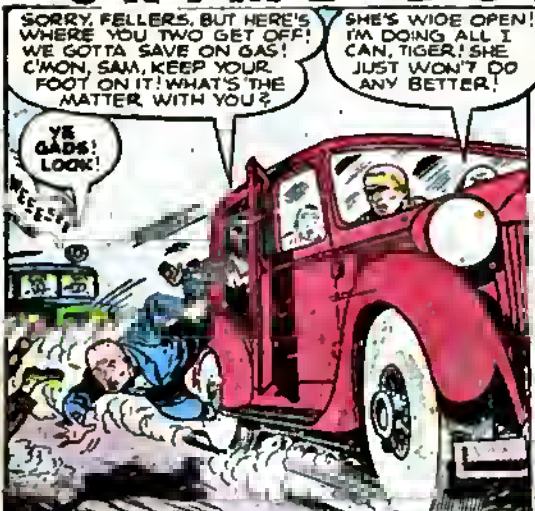
IT'S A TRAP!



BACK IT UP AND TURN AROUND! WE'LL TRY ANOTHER ROAD! WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF THIS TRAP! THEY WON'T DARE SHOOT, AS LONG AS WE'VE GOT THESE BIG SHOTS WITH US! C'MON, BACK IT UP!

THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT! LET'S GO!

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY ON THE LEVEL

by C.H. MOORE



THE ANALYSIS OF INK IN SOLVING A CRIME WAS USED AS EVIDENCE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE PILCHER CASE IN England - 1909 COL. PILCHER PRODUCED A SIGNED WILL OF A MISS KERFERD IN WHICH SHE LEFT HIM HER ENTIRE ESTATE - THE WILL WAS DATED 1898! AN EXPERT ON DOCUMENTS, DR. MITCHELL, EXAMINED THE INK AND DISCOVERED IT TO BE LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OLD - WHICH PROVED THAT THE WILL WAS A FORGERY, SINCE IT WAS DATED 1898! THE COLONEL CONFESSED WHEN THIS EVIDENCE WAS PRESENTED AND HE WENT TO PRISON!

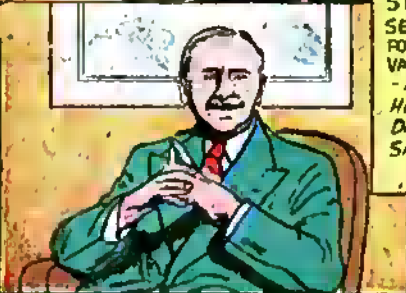
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A FIREMAN in Granville, Wisconsin CONFESSED TO SETTING 100 FALSE ALARMS - HE WANTED A RAISE IN PAY - SO HE PULLED THE ALARMS TO MAKE HIS WORK LOOK MORE IMPORTANT!



STAN DILLAN - SERVING 15 TO 20 YEARS FOR BREAKING INTO THE VAULT OF A N.Y. BANK - HAS NEW TROUBLES - HE MUST PAY FOR THE DAMAGE HE DID TO THE SAFE AS WELL - \$707!



A COURT WITHOUT A CASE! THE TOWN OF SARITA, TEXAS HAS A RECORD OF WHICH TO BE PROUD - FOR MORE THAN A YEAR THERE HAVE BEEN NO CRIMES AND NO COURT CASES!

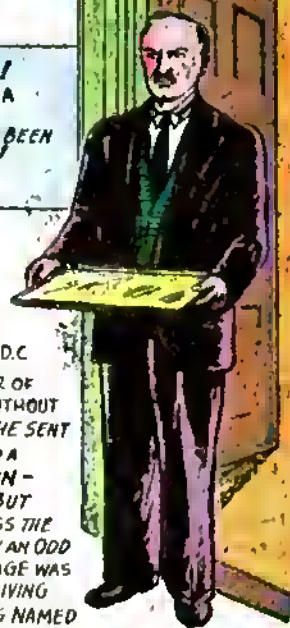


A BANK ROBBER MADE A HASTY EXIT FROM A New York Bank AFTER GRABBING A PACKAGE OF MONEY! HE TOOK A PACKAGE CONTAINING \$300\*\* OF COUNTERFEIT MONEY - THAT THE BANK WAS TURNING IN TO THE GOVERNMENT!



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

JOHN MORCISCHECK A Butler in Washington, D.C. ROBBED HIS EMPLOYER OF VALUABLE JEWELRY WITHOUT BEING SUSPECTED - HE SENT THE JEWELS BY MAIL TO A FRIEND NAMED MARTIN - TO HOLD FOR HIM - BUT HE NEGLECTED TO CROSS THE "T" IN MARTIN AND BY AN ODD COINCIDENT THE PACKAGE WAS DELIVERED TO A MAN LIVING IN THE SAME BUILDING NAMED MARLIN - WHO TURNED THE JEWELS OVER TO THE POLICE - TRACING THE PACKAGE BACK TO THE SENDER WAS EASY - MORCISCHECK WENT TO JAIL!





# WHO DUNNIT?

TEST YOUR WITS! HOW GOOD A DETECTIVE ARE YOU?

EDDIE DYKE, THE VICTIM!



EDDIE DYKE HADN'T A FRIEND IN THE WORLD, INCLUDING HIMSELF! HIS OWN PERSONALITY WAS HIS OWN WORST ENEMY! PEOPLE NO SOONER SAW HIM THAN THEY DISLIKED HIM! IT WAS NO WONDER, THEN, THAT THIS PINT-SIZED HOT SHOT SHOULD WIND UP WITH FIVE PEOPLE HATING HIM TO DEATH! HERE IS THE THRILLING PUZZLER OF A MURDER CASE WHICH A BIG CITY'S HOMICIDE SQUAD HAD TO SOLVE IN MARCH, 1934... COMPLETE WITH THE CLUES AND EVIDENCE THEY HAD TO WORK WITH! CAN YOU MATCH WITS WITH SOME OF OUR LEADING SLEUTHS? CAN YOU SOLVE THE MURDER OF THE NOTORIOUS GAMBLER, EDDIE DYKE?

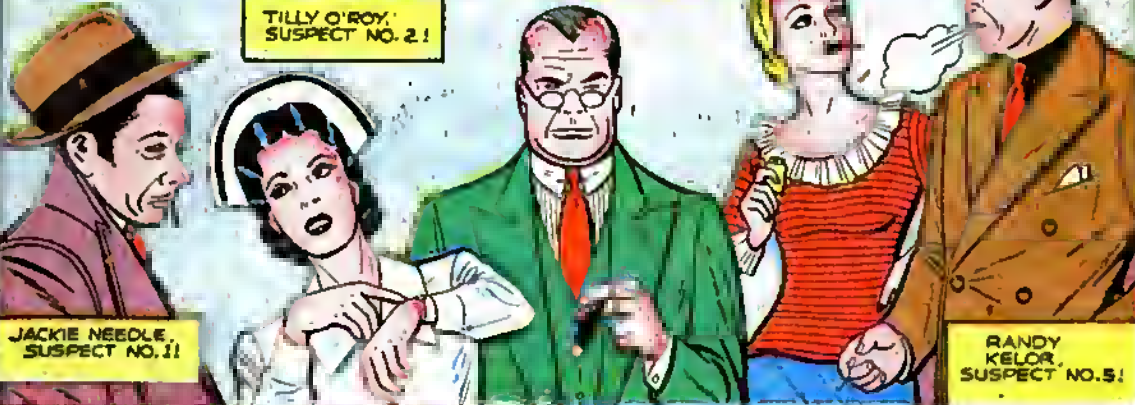


ART BY FRED GUARDINEER

MRS. DYKE, SUSPECT NO. 4!

MARTIN MAXSON, SUSPECT NO. 3!

TILLY O'ROY, SUSPECT NO. 2!



JACKIE NEEDLE, SUSPECT NO. 1!

RANDY KELOR, SUSPECT NO. 5!

THE FANTASTIC PUZZLE BEGAN IN THE APARTMENT OF GAMBLER EDDIE DYKE, IN JANUARY, 1934...

I'VE HEARD THAT ROUTINE SO MANY TIMES, YOU OUGHT TO PUT IT ON A RECORD! THIS ISN'T YOUR HOME-IT'S A HOTEL! ALL YOU DO IS PLAY CARDS HERE! AND ME-I'M NO WIFE, JUST SOMEONE YOU HAND AN ALLOWANCE TO EVERY WEEK-AND A PRETTY PUNY ALLOWANCE AT THAT!

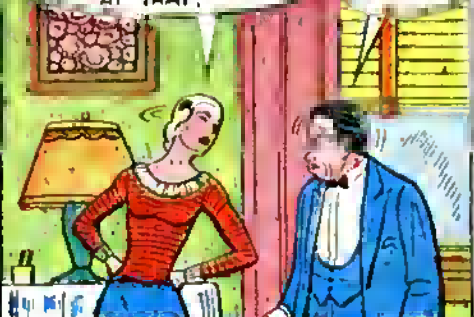
HONEST, BABY, YOU GIVE ME AN EAR-ACHE! GO PICK A CLOSET TO ROLLER IN-LEAVE ME ALONE!

WHERE ARE THOSE TWO PHONY BODY-GUARDS OF MINE? THEY'RE ALWAYS LATE THE BUMS! I COULD BE DEAD A HUNDRED TIMES BY THE TIME THEY SHOWED UP!

ONCE IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME! I HEAR RANDY KELOR IS PLAYING TONIGHT! THAT DEAD-EAR IS NOT THE KIND OF A GUY TO BE TAKEN OVER! HE'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS!

AIN'T IT TIME YOU WERE GOIN' TO YOUR MAH JONG GAME? I'M GURE YOUR LADY FRIENDS MUST BE CHEWIN' UP THE RUGS WAITIN' FOR YOU TO SHOW UP!

SPARE THE WISECRACKS! I CAN TAKE A HINT! BUT WATCH YOUR STEP WHILE YOU'RE OUT OF MAMA'S SIGHT! SOME-BODY MIGHT TAKE A SHOT AT YOU, AND MAMA WOULD BE GETTING A BIG HUNK OF LIFE INSURANCE-I HOPE!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

SURE! YOU'D LIKE TO SEE ME CROAK. WOULDN'T YOU? THEN YOU COULD SPEND MY DOUGH ON SABLES, AN' GIG-LOS WITH PATENT LEATHER HAIR! WELL, I'M CROSSIN' YOU UP, SWEET-HEART! I'M WRITIN' YOU OUT OF THE WILL! I'M CONVERTIN' MY INSURANCE INTO OO-RE-MI FOR YOURS TRULY TO THROW DOWN THE SEWER! ANYTHING BUT HANDING IT OVER TO YOU, WIFEY DEAR!

SPOKEN LIKE THE RATTY SKUNK THAT YOU ARE! JUST KEEP DOING YOUR LITTLE WIFE DIRT, AND SEE WHERE YOU'LL WIND UP!

THERE GOES THE BIGGEST MISTAKE I MADE IN MY LIFE! SHE GOT HER HOOKS INTO ME AN' NOW SHE WON'T LET ME GO, TILL SHE'S GOT MY BANKROLL! I'M A FOOL TO CARRY SO MUCH INSURANCE! SHE'D SLIT MY THROAT FOR HALF OF IT!

THAT MUST BE FRED AN' LOUIE NOW-THE DEADBEATS! I'LL GIVE 'EM A PIECE OF MY MIND! WHAT GOOD ARE THEY AS BODYGUARDS? THEY'RE NEVER AROUND WHEN I WANT 'EM!



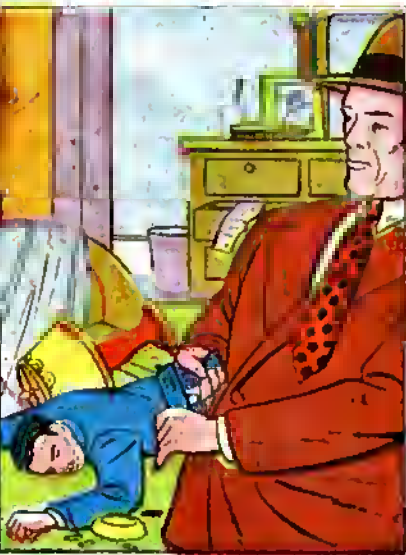
UP WITH 'EM! GO ON! GET INSIDE THE ROOM! S-SURE, ALL YOU WANT IS DOUGH, AIN'T THAT RIGHT? YOU CAME TO THE RIGHT GUY, MISTER! MY WALLET'S LOADED! THERE IT IS... ON THE TABLE, SEE? I'M NOT GIVIN' YOU ANY FIGHT!

AIN'T YOU THE HELPFUL ONE? TURN YOUR FACE TO THE WALL AND KEEP THEM NAILS SCRAPING THE CEILING!

YOU'RE WASTIN' YOUR TIME! OUT- SIDE OF THE WALLET, THERE AIN'T NOthin' THAT'S VALLUABLE HERE!

NO? HOW ABOUT YOUR LIFE?

UGHNN!



YEAH, HE'S DONE FOR! YEAH, I MADE IT LOOK LIKE A HEIST JOB! I TURNED THE ROOM UPSIDE DOWN-PULLED THE DRAWERS OUT AND SLIT THE PILLOWS LIKE YOU SAID! WHEN CAN I COME DOWN FOR MY DOUGH?

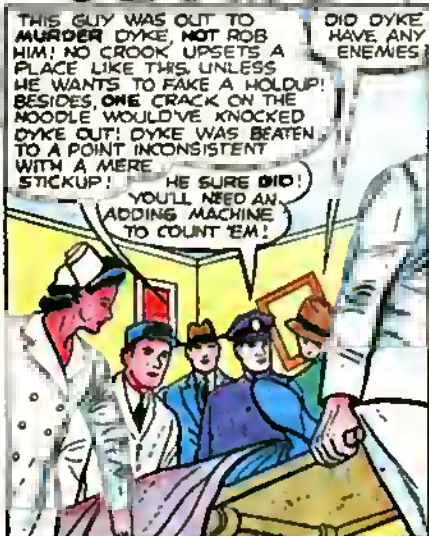


WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED HERE? A TOR- NADO MUST'VE SHOOK TH'IS JOINT! IS HE DEAD?

I DON'T THINK SO! CALL UP FOR AN AMBULANCE! WE'D BE BETTER OFF LETTIN' HIM CROAK! HE'LL NEVER FORGIVE US FOR SHOWIN' UP LATE-NOT AFTER THIS BEATIN'!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



THIS GUY WAS OUT TO MURDER DYKE! NOT ROB HIM! NO CROOK UPSETS A PLACE LIKE THIS. UNLESS HE WANTS TO TAKE A HOLDUP! BESIDES, ONE CRACK ON THE NOODLE WOULD'VE KNOCKED DYKE OUT! DYKE WAS BEATEN TO A POINT INCONSISTENT WITH A MERE STICKUP!

HE SURE DID! YOU'LL NEED AN ADDING MACHINE TO COUNT 'EM!

DID DYKE HAVE ANY ENEMIES?



I WAS A BROKEN HAND. HIS SKULL IS FRACTURED IN FOUR PLACES! GOT ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, INSPECTOR?

NONE THAT YOU CAN ANSWER, DOCTOR! I'VE GOT A COUPLE FOR DYKE WHEN HE COMES TO GIVE ME A CALL WHEN HE DOES!



SURE, IT COULD'VE BEEN ANYBODY WHO SENT THAT MUG AFTER ME! BUT IF YOU'RE ASKIN' ME, I THINK MY WIFE PAID THE CHECK! OUR MARRIAGE IS ALL WASHED UP! ALL SHE WANTS NOW IS YOUR WIFE IS HERE TO SEE YOU MR. DYKE!

GOOD! SEND HER IN!



OVER MY DEAD BODY! KEEP HER OUT OF HERE! I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT MURDERIN' WITCH! I'LL THROW THE BED AT HER IF SHE COMES IN!

WE MUSTN'T EXCITE HIM TOO MUCH, MRS. DYKE! YOU'D BETTER WAIT A FEW DAYS BEFORE YOU VISIT YOUR HUSBAND!

THAT'S OKAY WITH ME! I DON'T CARE IF I NEVER SEE THAT CRAZY SHRIMP!



EDDIE, YOU AIN'T LOST YOUR TOUCH! YOU STILL RAKE IN THOSE ACES, AN' ALL THOSE INSIDE STRAIGHTS LIKE YOU USED TO!

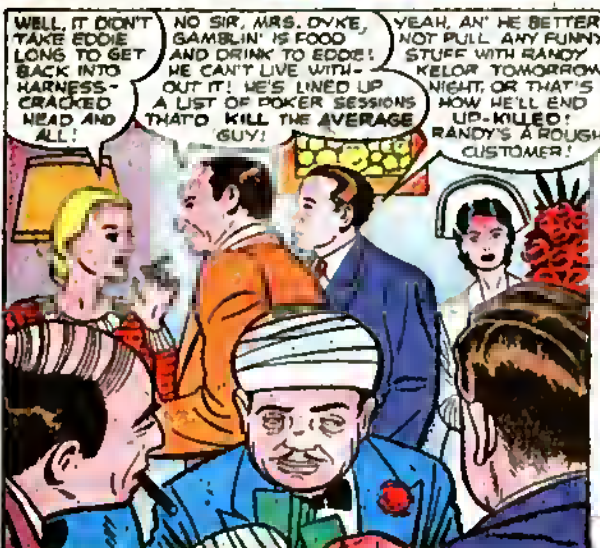
DID YOU THINK A BROKEN HAND WAS GONNA WASH EDDIE DYKE UP? LISTEN, CHUMP, THE DAY I GET OUT OF THIS JOINT, I'M GOIN' RIGHT BACK TO WHERE I LEFT OFF!

ANYBODY HOME? I'M TILLY O'ROY! THE NURSE'S REGISTRY SENT ME!



THEY SAID YOU'D NEED LOOKINS AFTER AT HOME, AFTER YOU'RE DISCHARGED FROM THE HOSPITAL!

THAT'S RIGHT, BABY! TAKE A LOAD OFF YOUR FEET AN' SIT IN! I'LL STAKE YOU! A LOT OF THESE CARD GAMES! THAT'S THE WAY I MAKE MY CAB-BAGE! LOVE, GIVE CHAIR!



WELL, IT DIDN'T TAKE EDDIE LONG TO GET BACK INTO HARNES-CRACKED NEAD AND ALL!

NO SIR, MRS. DYKE, GAMBLIN' IS FOOD AND DRINK TO EDDIE! WE CAN'T LIVE WITH-OUT IT! HE'S LINED UP A LIST OF POKER SESSIONS THAT'D KILL THE AVERAGE GUY!

YEAH, AN' HE BETTER NOT PULL ANY FUNNY STUFF WITH RANDY KOLOR TOMORROW NIGHT, OR THAT'S HOW HE'LL END UP! KILLED! RANDY'S A ROUGH CUSTOMER!

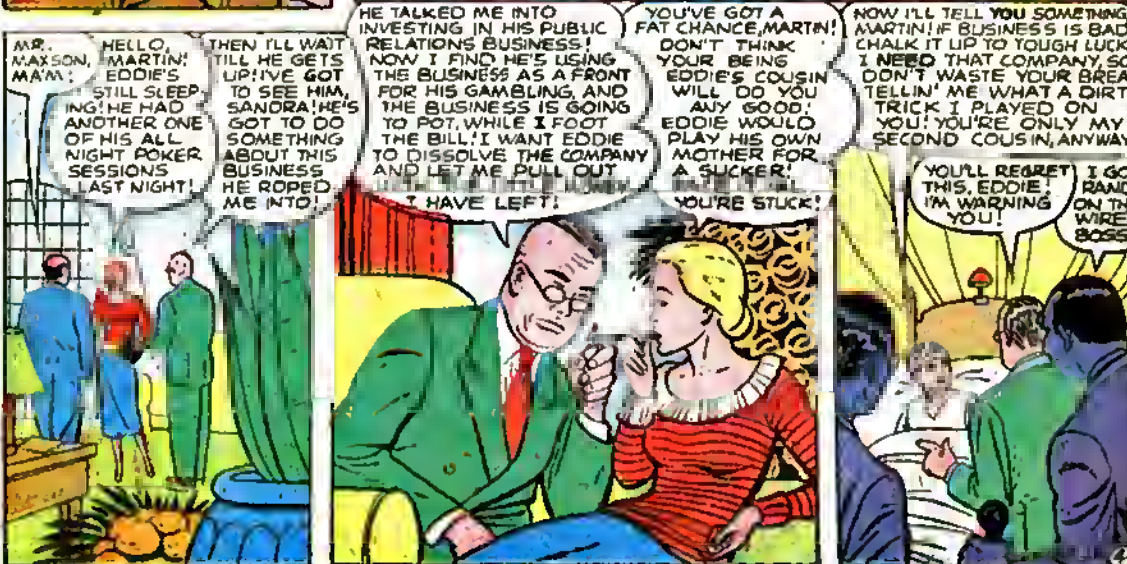
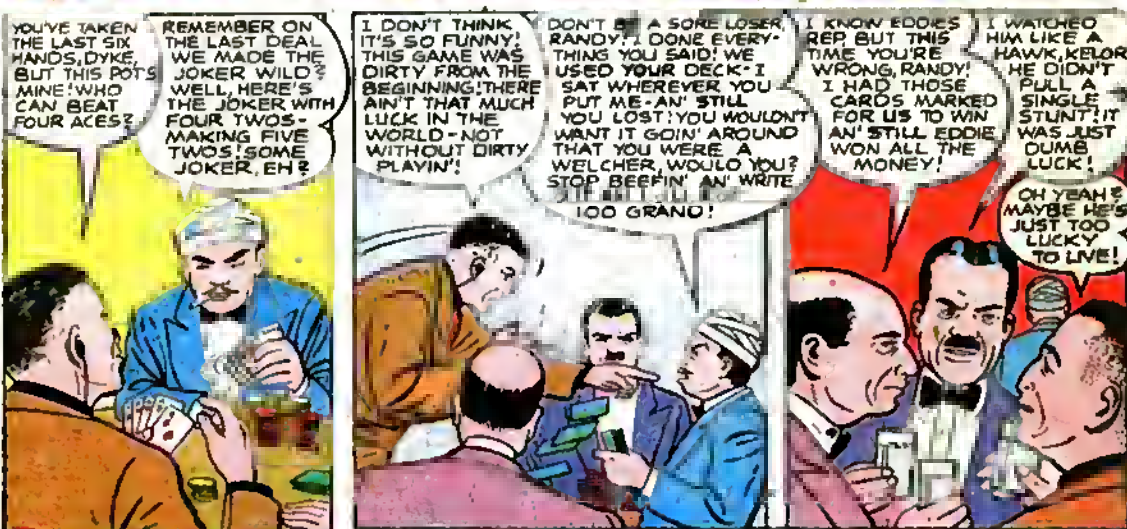


HYA, EDDIE! I SEE YA BRUNG YER WHOLE FAMILY-NURSE AN' ALL, BUT NOTHIN' WILL HELP YA IF YOU PULL ANY FUNNY STUFF! AN UNDERTAKER WILL DO YOU A LOT MORE GOOD!

THANKS, RUBBER EAR, BUT ALL I NEED IS LUCK! NOW THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS EACH OTHER, HOW ABOUT GETTIN' STARTED?

HE HEARS LESS THAN THAT DOOR-KNOB! YA GOTTA GET INTO THAT GIMMICK UNDER HIS COAT FOR MIA TO HEAR ANY-THING!

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HELLO-RANDY? THIS'S EDDIE! I'M CALLIN' YOU BECAUSE I'LL NEED HALF THAT I.O.U. MONEY BY TOMORROW NIGHT! I'VE GOT A DEAL ON THE FIRE AN' I NEED CASH FAST, SO SEE THAT I GET THAT DOUGH FIRST THING IN THE MORNING!

YOU'LL GET IT, EDDIE! IT'S ONLY COMING TO YOU, AN' I'M A GUY WHO BELIEVES IN PAYIN' OFF IN FULL!

JACKIE YOU CAN'T GO IN THERE! I'LL LOSE MY JOB! JACKIE PLEASE!

THE HECK WITH YOUR JOB! I DON'T WANT YOU WORKIN' FOR A GUY LIKE DYKE! YOU'RE ENGAGED TO ME AN' YOU'RE QUITTING AS OF NOW!

LOU, SEE WHAT THAT RUMPUSS IS ALL ABOUT!

LOOK FOR ANOTHER NURSE, DYKE! TILLY'S QUITTING! I WON'T HAVE THE GIRL I'M ENGAGED TO WORKIN' FOR A ROTTEN EGG LIKE YOU! SHE THINKS THAT YOU'LL MARRY HER WHEN YOU DIVORCE YOUR WIFE!

BOYS, I DON'T LIKE THIS CHARACTER! SHOW HIM WHAT I DO TO PEOPLE WHO RUB ME THE WRONG WAY!

THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!

NO, DON'T, EDDIE! DON'T LET THEM BEAT HIM UP! DON'T!

SORRY, BABY! WHEN A GUY BUSTS IN HERE TO TELL ME MY BUSINESS- WHO TO FIRE AN' WHO TO HIRE, AN' WHAT KIND OF A GUY I AM- THAT CHUMP IS BEGGIN' TO HAVE HIS TEETH KNOCKED OUT!

WHEN YOU'RE THROUGH, THROW HIM OUT!

EVERYTHING JACK SAID ABOUT YOU IS TRUE! YOU'RE A CRUEL, VICIOUS GANGSTER! I HATE YOU! I HATE YOU!

Y-YOU'LL GET YOURS, BIG SHOT! SOON.. VERY SOON!

NOW GET THAT BUM OUT OF HERE, AND TELL HIM THAT'S ONLY A SAMPLE OF WHAT HE'LL GET IF HE SHOWS HIS UGLY MUG AROUND HERE!

THE NEXT MORNING, MARCH 3, 1934, DAWNED LIKE ANY OTHER DAY, BUT IT WAS TO CLOSE DIFFERENTLY FOR EDDIE DYKE!

IT'S YOUR BODYGUARD! THEY'RE GOING TO BE LATE! LOU HAS A HANG- OVER! THEY SAID THEY'D MEET YOU DOWN AT THE EDEN CLUB AT ELEVEN!

THOSE FAT HEADS ALWAYS GOT SOME EXCUSE! I'LL FIRE 'EM AND GET A COUPLE OF GUYS WHO CAN BE ON TIME!

HERE HE COMES! LET HIM GET INTO HIS CAR! WE'LL FOLLOW HIM TO THE FIRST TRAFFIC SIGNAL! WHEN HE STOPS FOR THE LIGHT, LET HIM HAVE IT THROUGH THE WINDOW!

THE EDEN CLUB, HAL, AN' TAKE IT EASY! I AIN'T IN NO HURRY TO GET THERE BEFORE ELEVEN!

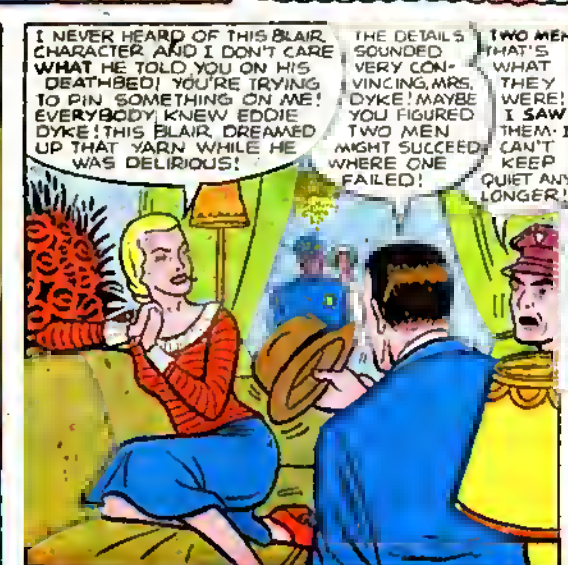
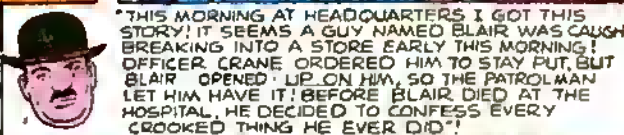
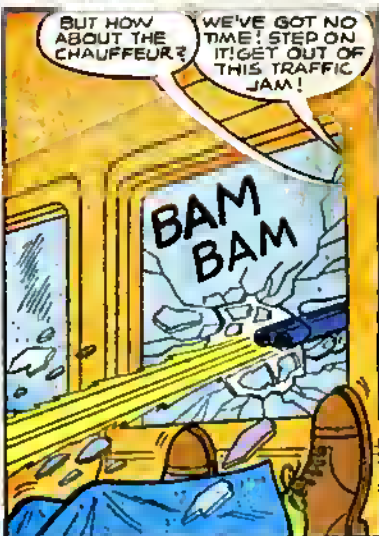
MR. DYKE! A CAR PULLED UP!

H-HUH, GULP!

WHERE TO, MR. DYKE?

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IF THEY DID, SOME-  
BODY  
HIRED  
THEM!  
GOT ANY  
IDEA WHO  
THAT  
SOME-  
BODY  
MIGHT BE,  
HAROLD?

YES, SIR! IT COULD BE  
MRS. DYKE, LIKE YOU  
SAID, OR IT COULD BE  
MISS O'ROY, THE NURSE.  
OR IT COULD BE MISS  
O'ROY'S BOY FRIEND,  
THE ONE MR. DYKE HAD  
BEATEN UP YESTERDAY!  
I SAW HIM COME DOWN  
AFTER FRED AND LOU  
ROUGHED HIM UP! HE  
WAS RAVIN' ABOUT  
WHAT HE'D DO TO  
MR. DYKE!

THAT'S A LIE  
ABOUT JACKIE!  
JACKIE WOULDN'T  
KILL ANYBODY!  
AND I CERTAINLY  
WOULDN'T! IT  
WOULDN'T BE  
SILLY TO KILL  
THE BEST  
PAYING EM-  
PLOYER  
EVER HAD!

NONSENSE! EDDIE  
HIMSELF TOLD ME  
YOU THREATENED  
TO KILL HIM AFTER  
THAT BEATING HE  
GAVE JACK NEEDLE!  
AS FOR ME, ALL OF  
EDDIE'S INSURANCE  
COULDN'T TAKE THE  
PLACE OF THE MONEY.  
I GOT FROM EDDIE  
WHILE HE WAS ALIVE!  
EDDIE WAS THE  
LUCKIEST GAMBLER  
IN TOWN!

WHY SHOULD  
I KILL  
THE  
GOOSE  
THAT  
LAID  
THE  
GOLDEN  
EGG?

BECAUSE YOU WOULDN'T  
GET ANY MORE GOLDEN  
EGGS! EVERYBODY KNEW  
MR. DYKE WAS GOING  
TO DIVORCE YOU!  
YOU FIGURED YOU'D  
SETTLE FOR THE INSURANCE  
TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU.  
THAT'S GOOD BUSINESS!  
AND SPEAKING OF  
BUSINESS, THERE'S MR.  
DYKE'S COUSIN, MR. MAXSON!  
I HEARD HIM THREATEN MR.  
DYKE, BECAUSE MR. DYKE  
WOULDN'T DISSOLVE THEIR  
PUBLIC RELATIONS  
COMPANY!



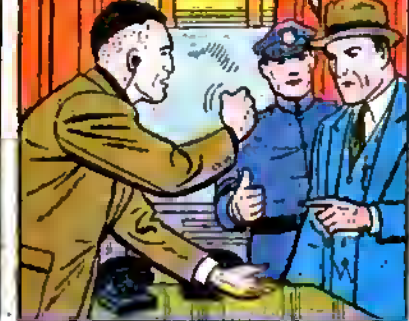
OFFICER, SEND OUT  
AN ALARM FOR LOUIE  
AND FRED, THE TWO  
BODYGUARDS! ALSO,  
HAVE MARTIN MAXSON  
PICKED UP, TOGETHER  
WITH JACK NEEDLE!  
HAVE THEM BROUGHT  
OVER TO RANDY  
KELOR'S PLACE! I'LL  
BE THERE ALL AFTER-  
NOON QUESTIONING  
HIM ABOUT HIS 100  
GRAND I.O.U.!

YOU'RE WRONG,  
INSPECTOR! I AM  
THE GUY! I WAS  
SORE AT DYKE  
SURE, BUT I GOT  
OVER IT! IN GAM-  
BLING, IT'S THE  
BREAKS! SOME  
TIMES YOU WIN,  
SOMETIMES  
YOU LOSE!

INSPECTOR, MAXSON  
AND JACK NEEDLE ARE  
OUTSIDE! WE PICKED  
UP NEEDLE AT A  
BAR! HE WAS  
PACKING A GUN  
AND HE WAS A MESS!  
LIKE THE CHAUFFEUR  
SAID HE'S FULL OF  
PATCHES FROM THAT  
GOIN' OVER HE GOT  
FROM DYKE'S MEN!

INSPECTOR, I'M  
HORRIFIED THAT  
YOU THINK THE  
MURDERER MIGHT  
BE ME! IT'S TRUE  
DYKE WAS NOTHING  
BUT A MERCILESS  
CRIMINAL, BUT  
AFTER ALL, HE  
WAS MY FLESH  
AND BLOOD! I  
WOULDN'T  
KILL HIM!

AND I MIGHT HAVE, BUT  
I DIDN'T! YES, I  
BOUGHT A ROO, AN I  
KEPT DRINKING TO  
PUT ENOUGH NERVE  
INTO ME! BUT SOME  
BODY ELSE DID  
THE DIRTY WORK  
FOR ME AND MORE  
POWER TO WHOEVER  
IT WAS!



TAKE NEEDLE  
DOWN TO  
HEADQUARTERS  
AND BOOK HIM  
ON THE SULLIVAN  
LAW FOR THAT GUN  
HE WAS CARRYING!

THERE'S A CALL  
FOR YOU, INSPECTOR!  
IT'S HEADQUARTERS!  
THINGS ARE SURE  
STARTING TO  
POP!

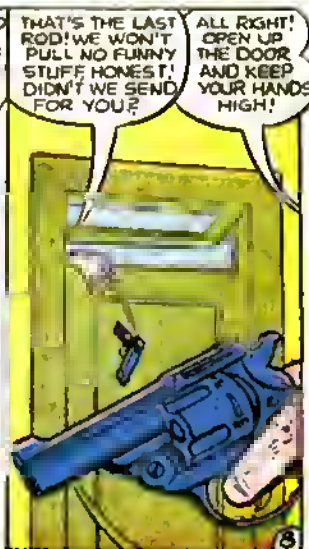
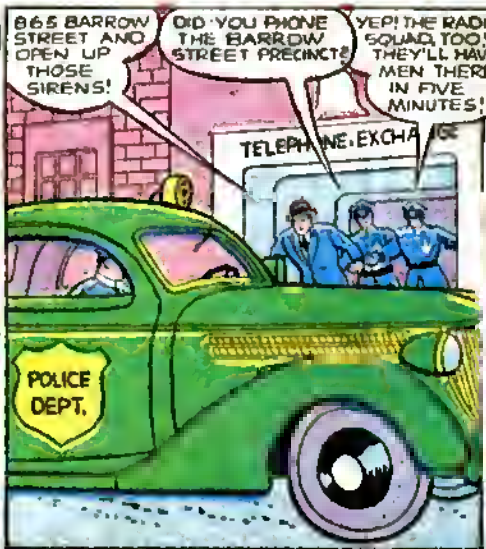
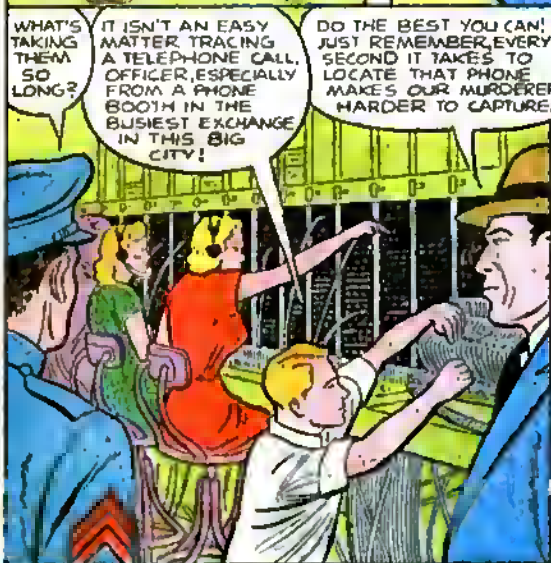
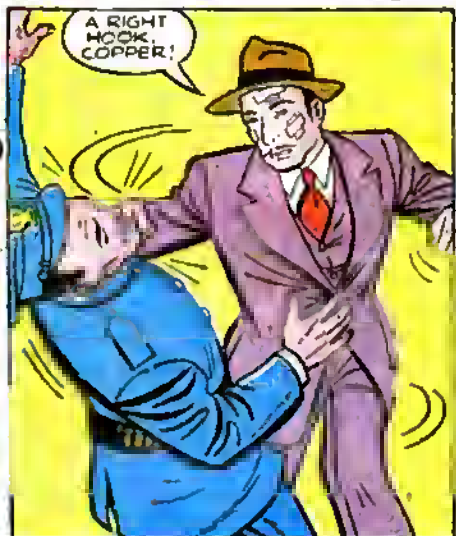
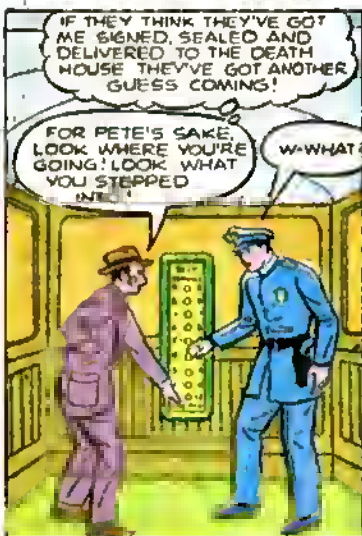
WHAT'S THAT? TWO BODYGUARDS PHONED  
THE FRONT OFFICE AND SAID THEY  
PLUGGED DYKE AND WOULD NAME  
THE KILLER, IF WE PROMISE NOT TO  
GIVE THEM THE CHAIR - YOU'RE  
HAVING THE CALL TRACED NOW!  
GOOD - WE'LL BE RIGHT  
DOWN!

I'VE GOT IMPORTANT  
BUSINESS TO ATTEND  
TO NOW, SO WE'LL  
CONTINUE THIS  
QUESTIONING LATER,  
AT HEADQUARTERS!  
BOTH OF YOU BE  
DOWN THERE AT  
9 SHARP TONIGHT!

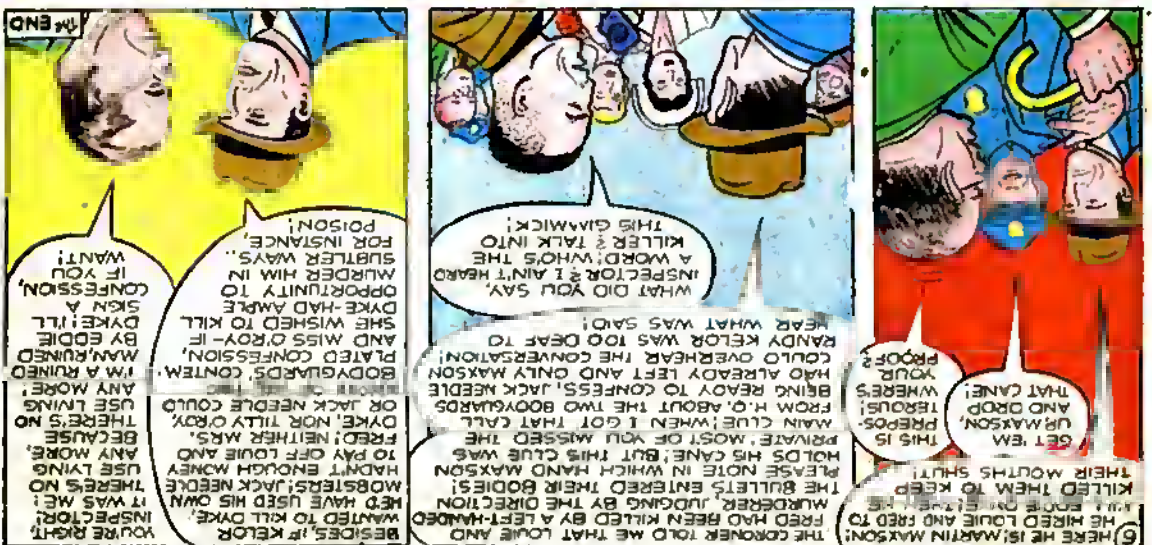
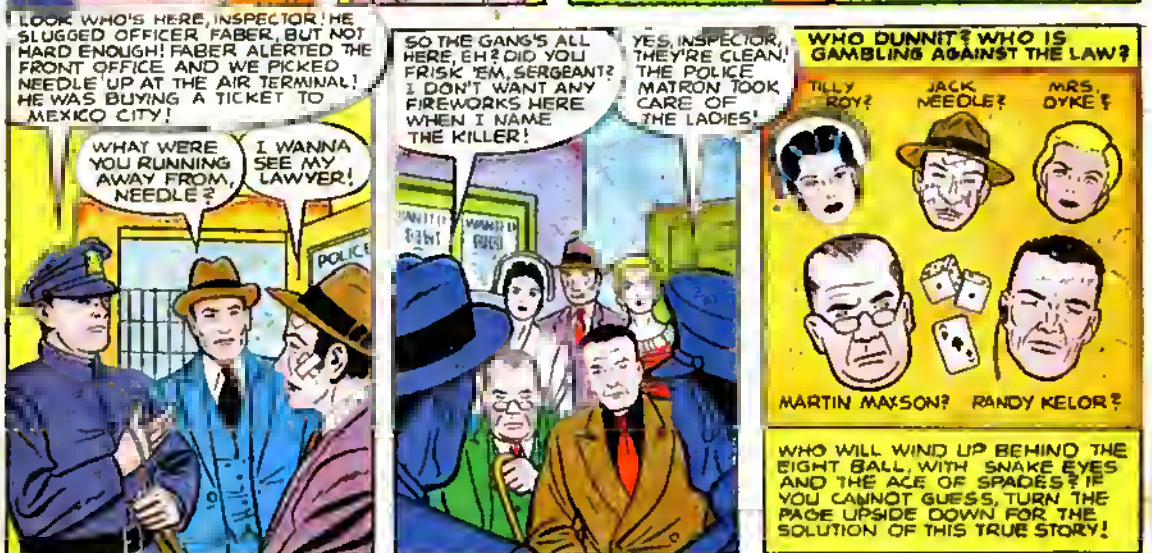
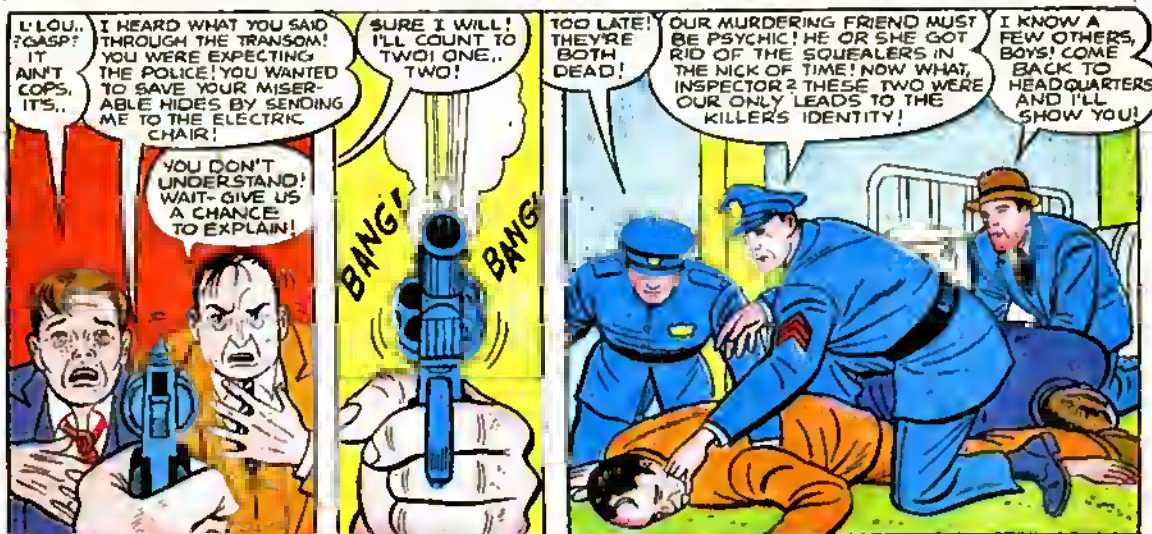
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FOR YOUR  
BENEFIT!  
JUST IN  
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YOU NEED  
NEW  
BATTERIES!

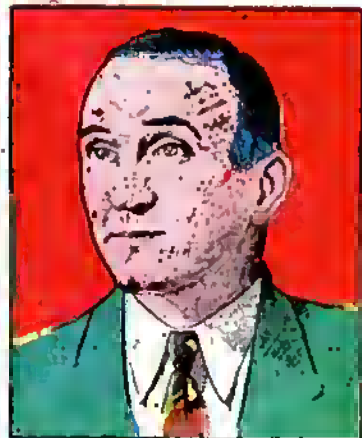
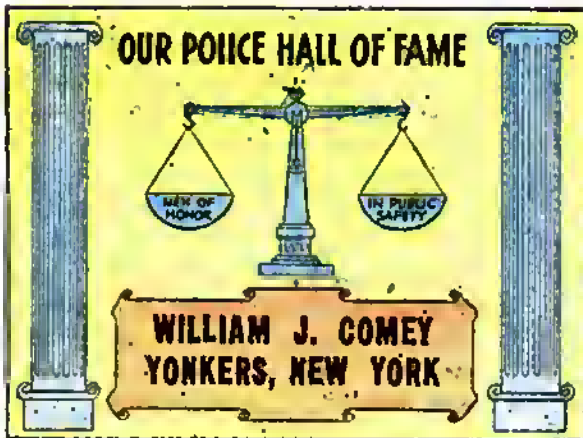


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**L**AST June in Yonkers, New York, the body of a woman was found at the edge of a park. She had been brutally beaten; her jaw was broken, her eyes were blackened and her face lacerated by her attacker. Twenty-nine minutes after her body had been discovered the Yonkers police made their arrest.

There are two things about this case which are unusual. One is that justice is not always so swift, though the Yonkers police record shows that crime there is punished quickly and certainly. The other (also part of the Yonkers record) is that such crimes don't often occur there. The incidence of crime in Yonkers is extremely low.

The reason for Yonkers' splendid record is a man named William J. Comey. His official title is Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety. This is the first time a member of the uniform force has been appointed a Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety and he's a man who respects his city as much as his city respects him. "Yonkers is a fine place to live," he says, "and that's one reason we have so little trouble here. It's the fifth largest city in the state, biggest city in Westchester County but there's certainly no crime problem. It's a good, clean city."

The Commissioner should know. Besides being the man who is right at the heart of what is happening in Yonkers, William Comey is a man who was born and raised there. He joined the Yonkers force as a patrolman in 1920. He was sent to police school in New York City, where one of his instructors, also a patrolman then, was the man who is today New York's Commissioner, Arthur J. Wallander.

Patrolman Comey, then 26 years old, thereupon began the long climb through the ranks that has brought him to the top. He was assigned to traffic and spent two and a half years there.

Then he began to move ahead. In 1926 he was in the detective division. In 1930 he was a Sergeant. In 1934, still a Sergeant, he was in charge of the radio division. In 1936 he became a Lieutenant. In 1944 he was put in com-

mand of the entire detective division. Three years later he was appointed Aide to the Commissioner of Public Safety, and then on July 2, 1947 he received his present appointment, Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety, in charge of Police.

At 55, he is a man who knows his work thoroughly and obviously loves it. He is a big man with iron grey hair, blue eyes, a big pleasant face, a firm chin and a quick, pleasant smile. When he talks, he speaks quietly, but firmly. He is alert to what the other fellow has to say, doesn't mind shifting subjects. You can tell he is a man other men like to speak to. You can tell he's a man who has spent a lot of time asking questions, too—but waiting quietly, patiently for the answers; ready to sift them out and see what they mean.

He sticks to facts, whether about himself or his work. He doesn't like to tell about his own cases, or the cases his department has cracked. But if he has to, he'll talk about his department first, himself second.

While he is glad to discuss police methods, he likes best to talk about the humorous side of his work. "A detective often has to pick up a suspect without letting him know what he's wanted for. Sometimes a suspect will tip off somebody else. And there are times when you don't know just the man you want and you can't ask a lot of questions to help you identify him. If he is the wrong man, he may tip off the right one, who can then get away. I've used an idea that's worked pretty well. I remember one time we were looking for a man named Dave Gordon, one of five brothers. I thought I had him spotted, but if I'd picked the wrong brother, I'd have to let him go, and he'd surely warn the one we wanted."

"I waited until I had my man alone. He was standing on a street corner when I went up to him. 'Hello, Murphy,' I said. The man turned. 'You got the wrong person,' he told me, 'I'm not Murphy.' 'Of course you are,' I insisted, 'you're Tommy Murphy, I'd know you anywhere.' 'Listen,' he said, anxious to get away, 'my name is Dave Gordon,' and as he started to move off, I thanked him and remarked, 'You're just the Gordon I want. Come with me.'

"I've had other people give themselves away just because they thought they were safe. Another time I was looking for a young man who was mixed up in a burglary. He had been hiding out but we had a hunch that he would, at some time, get in touch with his family. One day I went to see his father. I introduced myself and told him I was looking for his son. I said that the boy had been in an automobile accident and had hit another car and driven off. The father insisted that his son was innocent and inquired about the time the accident had happened. About a half hour ago, I told him. That proved it, the father insisted. And then he told me that he had spoken to the son only a few minutes ago and that he had been miles away—in another town. I looked convinced. 'O.K.,' I said, 'if that's the case, he's in the clear, but bring him in and we'll clear it right up.'

"I went back to my office. Within an hour the father and son walked in, expecting to prove that the son had not been near the accident and also expecting to walk right out. Well, I thanked the father and booked the son. They saved me a lot of time and trouble."

What about the tough cases? "Well," the Commissioner explains, "it's police work, hard but routine police work, that solves the tough ones." Arson, he reports is the toughest, the hardest to prove; the crime that usually has no witnesses and few clues. But he's broken those, too. Next comes burglary and hold-ups. "Not long ago we had a double on that—a burglary and hold-up that also solved a number of other cases. A butcher store was burglarized and then ten days later, just as he was closing, the proprietor was held up by two men who came in with drawn guns. They took his cash and escaped in a car driven by a third man. We started an investigation and soon learned that a man with a criminal record lived in the neighborhood, was a customer of the store and had become friendly enough

with the owner to know the closing time and approximate daily receipts. We placed him under close surveillance and found that he was frequently seen with two other young men. At an opportune time we questioned all three. One had a gun concealed on him. They admitted two robberies and four burglaries. All were convicted and imprisoned. The man who had the gun had stolen it in a burglary in Massachusetts, where he lived. He was an ex-convict and wanted in his own state. That was a case that tied up a lot of loose ends."

The Commissioner has set up a new system in Yonkers to make sure that it doesn't take long to bring in those who break the law. He gets reports every morning on every complaint made to his department. And he can pick up report slips on any and every case to find out just how it is being handled—or was handled. He's got the whole city right at his finger tips, every minute of the day.

He is proud of that, of course, and of his force and of his city. But perhaps he is proudest of his work with youngsters. He likes the Juvenile Aid Bureau which handles juvenile cases quickly, in cooperation with parents and without subjecting juvenile offenders to jail sentences that may ruin their lives. He is also proud of the small percentage of juvenile offenses in Yonkers. "We help boys and girls," he said, "by the Police Athletic League, by motion pictures, by having a big party with Gene Autry here once a year, by athletic programs and by being friends."

"Juvenile delinquency? Well, we have some, of course, but I'll tell you; it's the conditions in the home that cause it. 99% of it is caused by bad home environment or by divided families. The home is the keystone of the nation. And if the home is all right, the children are all right."

Sitting in the Commissioner's sparsely furnished office in the big Police Headquarters building you have the feeling that this is a man who knows the answers to keeping things all right. You feel that he's being part of a good team. When you ask him about the toughest part of his job, he smiles. "Well, we have 32 vacancies that I'd like to see filled. We could use more men on school traffic." Safety for the people of Yonkers is his main concern. Safety all around—and as he says, Yonkers is a fine place to live.

THE END



## ON THE LEVEL

by C.H. MOORE

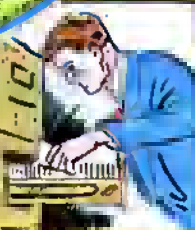
SEVERAL HOMES WERE ROBBED in Bridgeport, Conn. — A YOUNG NEWSPAPER REPORTER COVERING THE CASE GAVE THE ROBBER THE NICKNAME "MATCH BURGLAR" BECAUSE BURNING MATCHES WERE FOUND AT THE SCENE OF EACH ROBBERY — A PAWNBROKER CALLED THE POLICE — HE HAD RECEIVED SOME OF THE STOLEN JEWELRY — WHEN THE POLICE AND THE REPORTER APPEARED AT THE PAWN SHOP, THE MAN POINTED EXCITEDLY AT THE REPORTER AND SAID —

"HE'S THE MAN THAT BROUGHT IN THE STOLEN JEWELS!" A SEARCH OF HIS POCKETS REVEALED MORE STOLEN GOODS — THE REPORTER WAS THE ROBBER — HE DID IT FOR A BIG \$ — HE GOT A SMALL CELL!



### THE RAJAH OF COUNTERFEITERS

IN 1893 INDIA WAS BEING FLOODED WITH BOGUS MONEY OF LARGE DENOMINATIONS — SO EXPERT WERE THESE IMITATIONS THAT THE BANK OFFICIALS HAD DIFFICULTY IN SPOTTING THEM — THE LEADER OF THE COUNTERFEITING RING WAS THE SUBJECT OF ONE OF THE GREATEST AND LONGEST MANHUNT IN HISTORY — GOVIND NARAYEN DIVRIA WAS AN UNDERWORLD CHARACTER WITH HIS OWN PALACE, HAREM, SLAVES, MUSICIANS, FAKIRS AND MAGICIANS — HE WAS ONE OF THE MOST ELUSIVE THIEVES OF ALL TIME, BUT THE INDIA SECRET SERVICE DID FINALLY CATCH HIM — ON HIS FIRST NIGHT IN JAIL DIVRIA BLEW OUT THE LIGHT OF HIS KEROSENE LAMP, POURED THE KEROSENE OVER HIS CLOTHES AND SET FIRE TO HIMSELF — HE DIED OF BURNS! ONCE MORE HE SUCCEEDED IN ELUDING THE POLICE BUT ONLY BY DESTROYING HIMSELF!



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IDENTITY PRINTS.

A PIECE OF STRING WAS THE ONLY CLUE FOUND AT THE SCENE OF A CRIME IN Berkeley, Calif. AN ANALYSIS OF THE DUST SHAKEN FROM IT REVEALED THAT IT CAME FROM A FARM CONTAINING PINE TREES, RARE PLANTS, A JERSEY COW, A SORREL HORSE, BLACK AND WHITE RABBITS AND RHODE ISLAND RED CHICKENS — WITH THIS INFORMATION, DETECTIVES WERE ABLE TO LOCATE THE FARM AND CAPTURE THE CRIMINAL!

### DYING OF CURIOSITY

MRS BOWDEN, Portland, Ore. HAD BEEN CONSTANTLY WARNED BY HER HUSBAND — NOT TO OPEN THE TRUNK IN THE BASEMENT — HE TALKED ABOUT IT SO MUCH THAT IT AROUSED HER CURIOSITY — WHEN HE WENT FISHING ONE WEEK-END SHE OPENED IT! IT BLEW UP THE HOUSE AND SHE WAS KILLED — JAMES BOWDEN KNEW THAT SHE WOULD BE CURIOUS — HE IS SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE, THE POLICE WERE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT HIS BOOBY-TRAP TRUNK FROM STUDYING THE RUINS OF THE HOUSE!



MADELINE FISHER LOVELY BLONDE FIANCEE OF LORD JACKSON, A BRITISH PERFUME MANUFACTURER OF GREAT WEALTH, RAN OFF WITH JEWELS AND A LARGE SUM OF MONEY! FIVE YEARS PASSED AND THE POLICE ASKED LORD JACKSON TO ACCOMPANY THEM TO GERMANY TO IDENTIFY A GIRL BELIEVED TO BE MADELINE FISHER — WHEN HE CONFRONTED THE GIRL HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THIS GIRL WITH JET HAIR AND A COLD STARE WAS NOT MADELINE — BUT SUDDENLY HE TURNED TO THE POLICE AND SAID — "THAT'S MADELINE! ARREST HER! SHE'S WEARING A SPECIAL PERFUME I HAD MADE FOR HER ONLY!" SHE WAS SCENT TO SAIL!

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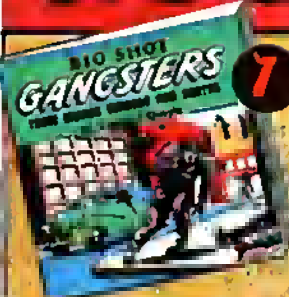
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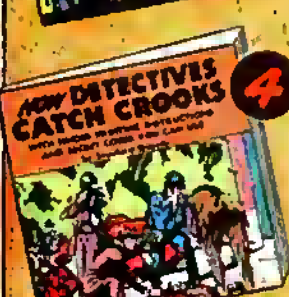


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Dear Reader:

In every issue of CRIME DOES NOT PAY this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas, and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME DOES NOT PAY, we have been guided by two ideals — first, the eradication of crime, and second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

As a social worker in Jacksonville, it is a pleasure to inform you that since we put CRIME DOES NOT PAY in the local youth center, petty thievery and pranks are practically unknown in our town.

One of the best sections of your magazine is the Whodunnit. It shows the youngsters that even the cleverest and most cunning of criminals are always caught in the end.

Very truly yours, J. Arthur Wurtsbough  
351 Sandusky St., Jacksonville, Illinois

Congratulations to the editors of CRIME DOES NOT PAY. This magazine is combatting juvenile delinquency throughout the United States and Canada. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely, Stuart McEvoy  
4382 Harvard Ave., N.D.G.  
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

I read your CRIME DOES NOT PAY comics and can really say, "There is not a comic in the world like it." Although I read a few other comics, I think that there is nothing more interesting, exciting and fun to read than CRIME DOES NOT PAY. Every boy and girl should read this comic and I'm sure that of the crimes that are committed, a lot could be prevented if this magazine could be placed in the hands of the boys and girls soon enough.

I wish that CRIME DOES NOT PAY could be published each week; I can hardly wait for the next edition to hit the stands.

A fan, Roger K. Arnold  
9 Monell St., Greene, New York

No letter of fifty words could tell you how much I enjoy CRIME DOES NOT PAY. I think it is the magazine that has done the most to prevent the spread of juvenile delinquency.

Please don't omit Whodunnit from your grand publication as it is one of my favorite features.

Your most ardent fan, Anita Louise Alibertini  
285 Washington St.  
Quincy, Massachusetts

I am writing to thank you for the wonderful work your magazine, CRIME DOES NOT PAY, is doing. It helps and encourages youngsters to lead a better and honest life. The stories are exciting and the drawings are more realistic than any other comics ever published. CRIME DOES NOT PAY comics is an effective method of fighting juvenile delinquency.

Yours truly, Serge Floreani  
776 Ogilvy Ave., Montreal, Quebec  
Canada

CRIME DOES NOT PAY is wonderful because it makes good citizens out of potential bad ones. It teaches you that you cannot get away with crime and shows how futile it is to try. Thank you for all you are doing to help curb juvenile delinquency.

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HARVEY  
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SURE, HE'S DEAD! I NEVER MISS! HOW MUCH IS IN THE REGISTER, PETE?

TWO DOLLARS AND UM... THIRTY-FIVE CENTS! I GUESS PEOPLE IN THIS TOWN DON'T DRINK ANY-MORE!

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IS THIS IT?

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THIS IS ONE HECK OF A MEETIN' PLACE!

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SOME-BODY HELP EMIL! THE LAME-BRAIN IS TRAPPED LIKE A FLY!

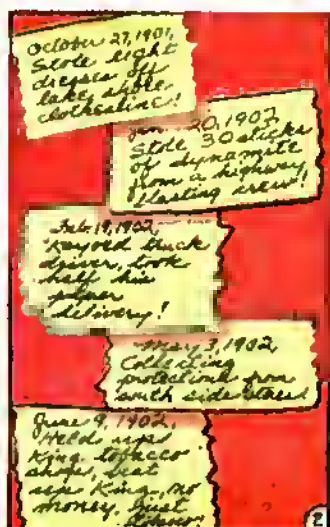
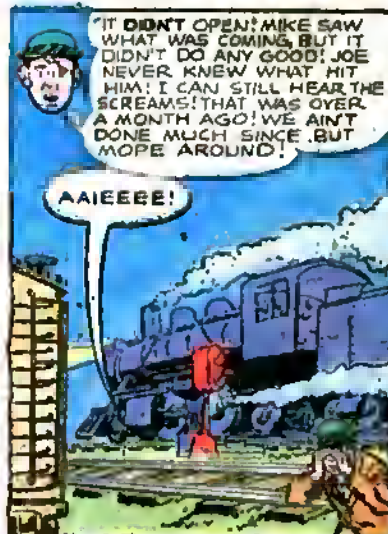
BE CAREFUL, THE STEPS ARE BROKEN!

THEY'RE NOT THE ONLY THING BROKEN HERE! YOU GUYS! JUST BE BUGGY! IO MEET IN A RAT HOLE LIKE THIS!

WATCH YOUR STEP, EMIL!

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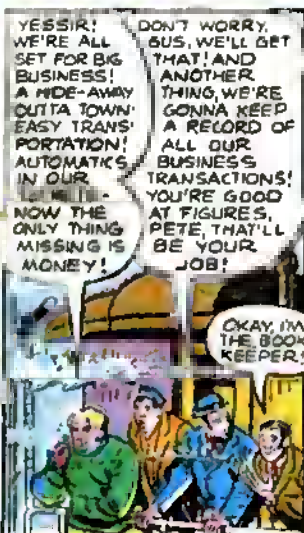
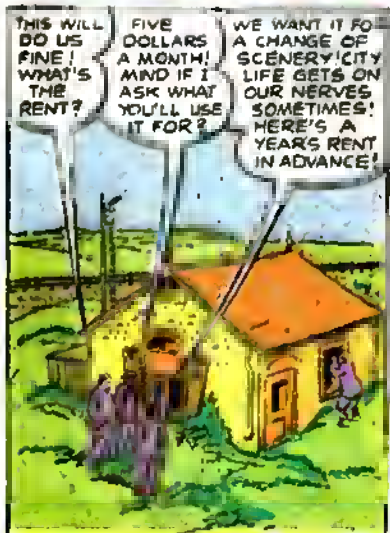
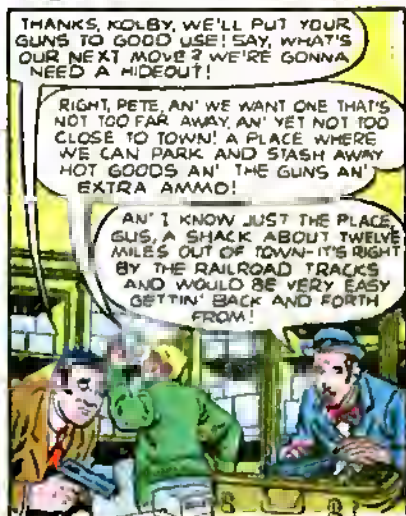
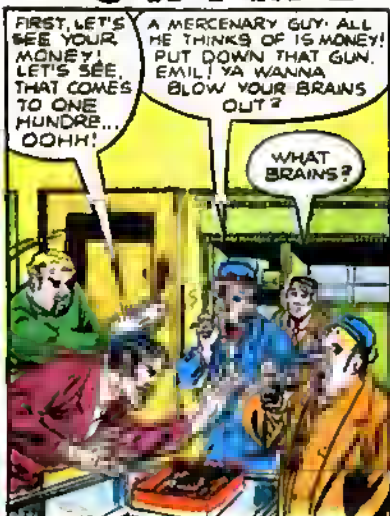
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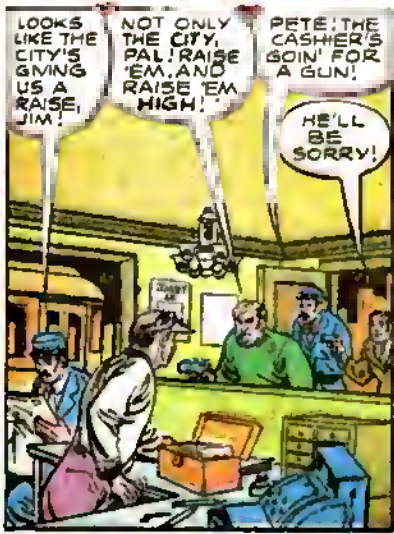
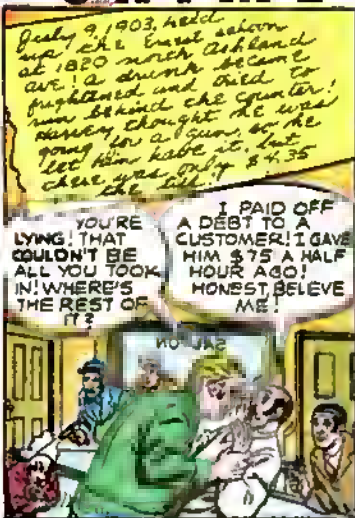
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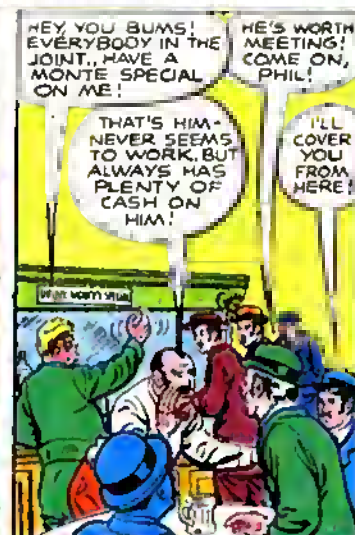
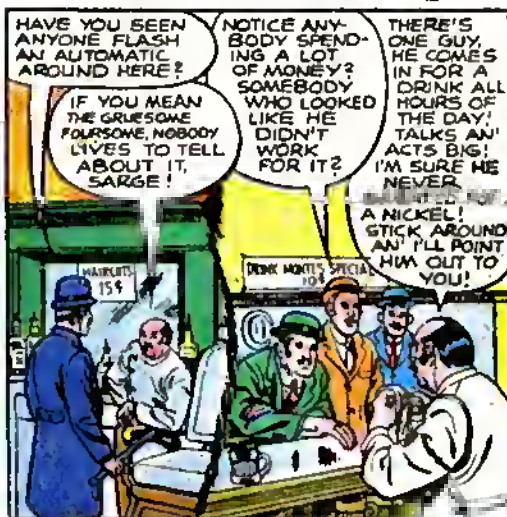
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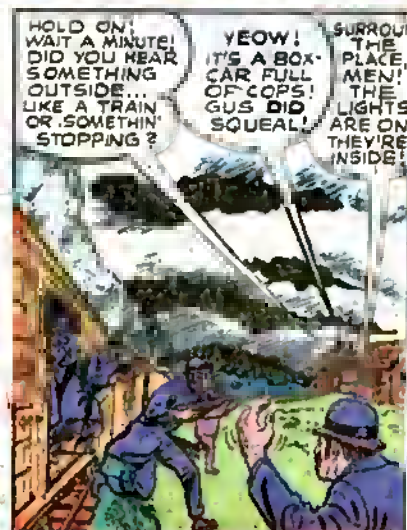
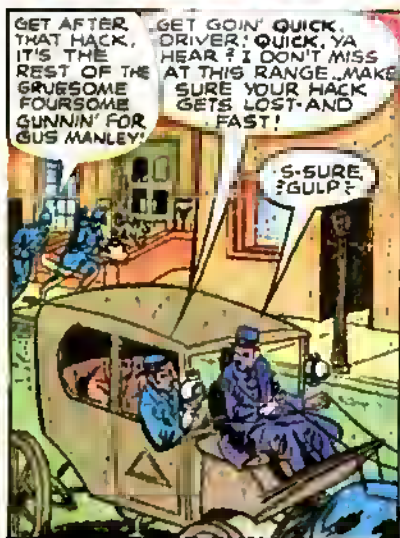
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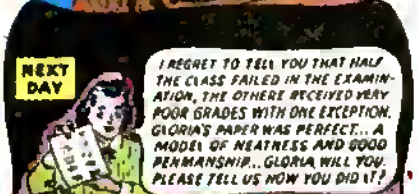


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